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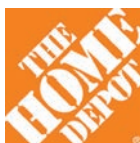
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JOHN T. GRANT, JR.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Bowl Teams, Fans, and Sponsors,

Welcome to the 10th Anniversary Cricket Celebration Bowl, a milestone moment that honors a decade of excellence, passion, and historic competition. We are thrilled to bring together the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Champion South Carolina State Bulldogs, the 2021 champions, and the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Champion Prairie View A&M Panthers, making their first appearance, for what promises to be an electrifying showdown. Both teams showcased their elite talents on the grandest stage last year, competing in the 2024 championship game, and today they return to compete for HBCU football's most coveted title, National Champion.

This game is more than a celebration of football; it is a celebration of excellence, community, and the relentless spirit of HBCU athletics. We are proud to open the college football bowl season and provide a best-in-class bowl game experience that welcomes universities, student-athletes, and fans from across the nation. This moment is made special because of ESPN's unwavering commitment to showcasing HBCU championship football on its largest platforms. The game will be broadcast live on ABC and streamed worldwide on ESPN DEPORTES and ESPN Unlimited, ensuring that the stories, triumphs, and talents of these incredible athletes reach a global audience.

We take great pride in honoring this year's Champion Circle inductee, Coach TC Taylor, for his inspiring leadership in guiding his team to victory in the 2024 Cricket Celebration Bowl. Additionally, we celebrate the legacy of Dr. Dennis Thomas, Commissioner Emeritus of the MEAC, who is this year's Hall of Fame inductee. Their dedication and contributions have shaped the landscape of HBCU sports and continue to inspire future generations.

Our deepest gratitude goes to our title sponsor, Cricket Wireless, and to our valued partners Coca-Cola, Truist, Allstate, Red Lobster, Home Depot, CareSource, Truth Initiative, Honda, the US Army, and others. We also thank our hotel partners Omni Centennial Park and Hilton Atlanta for their support.

To our conference partners, dedicated staff, and tireless volunteers, your commitment makes this event possible. And to you, the fans – your passion and energy are the heartbeat of this experience. You are the reason "The Story Ends" with pride, celebration, and an unbreakable bond that unites us all.

Thank you for joining us at the 2025 Cricket Celebration Bowl. Let us come together to witness history, honor tradition, and build the future of our HBCU experience.

A Champion Will Rise....



Welcome to the 2025 Cricket Celebration Bowl!

Bowl season is finally here, and what better way to kick things off than with a historic HBCU national championship showdown! We couldn't be more excited to present the 10th anniversary of the Cricket Celebration Bowl between the SWAC and the MEAC, and we sincerely hope you are enjoying the vibrant culture that our hometown of Atlanta offers.

Today is all about the rich tradition of HBCUs, filled with an unmatched level of pride, passion, and a sense of community that is unlike anything else in college football. That unbreakable bond goes far beyond the gridiron; lifetime friendships are forged that unite alumni all over the country and the world.

Since 2018, Cricket Wireless has consistently supported HBCUs' future leaders by celebrating tradition, uplifting students, and creating opportunities across communities. From the excitement of the Cricket MEAC/SWAC Challenge Kick-off and Cricket Celebration Bowl, to the spirit of Band of the Year and our Trophy Tour, Cricket Wireless pledges to keep them connected every step of the way. Because at Cricket, we know that reliable support paves the way for legendary impact.

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To all of the students, alumni, and fans in attendance, we hope today provides a memorable experience in the stadium and throughout our great city of Atlanta. Enjoy the game!

Sincerely,

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MEAC COMMISSIONER

It is my pleasure and honor, as Commissioner of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC), to bring greetings on behalf of "The Elite Eight" as we welcome you to Atlanta, Georgia, for the tenth anniversary of the Cricket Celebration Bowl.

This year, we proudly send South Carolina State University to represent the MEAC, as they prepare to take on the Southwestern Athletic Conference's (SWAC) Prairie View A&M University. I am looking forward to a competitive, high-energy matchup—one that will showcase the strength, spirit, and undeniable talent of our student-athletes, coaches, marching bands, and cheerleaders. Events like this remind us why HBCUs are such a vital part of our nation's culture and legacy.

The Cricket Celebration Bowl, along with its outstanding ancillary events, continues to elevate the standard by offering a first-class athletic, educational, and entertainment experience. I want to extend my sincere appreciation to Cricket for their steadfast partnership and for serving as the title sponsor of this special game. Their continued investment makes a true impact.

We are also grateful for the national stage this platform provides. With the game once again airing live on ABC, our institutions and conferences have an invaluable opportunity to highlight the excellence, innovation, and enduring legacy of HBCUs—at a time when that visibility matters more than ever.

As you enjoy the game and all the festivities surrounding it, I wish each of you safe travels home. Best of luck to South Carolina State and to Prairie View A&M. May this anniversary year be memorable for everyone involved, and may the holiday season bring joy to you and your families.

Let's go, MEAC Nation!

Sincerely,

Sonja O. Stills



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On behalf of the Southwestern Athletic Conference and the SWAC Council of Presidents and Chancellors, it is our pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 Cricket Celebration Bowl.

This year's game features two historic programs that most recently completed impressive regular season schedules in conference play to win their respective leagues. Prairie View A&M versus South Carolina State will undoubtedly be a competitive game that will add its own chapter in the storied history of the Celebration Bowl.

Participating in this event each year would not be possible without the unwavering efforts and exceptional drive of our student-athletes, coaches and institutional administrators, and the unconditional support of our SWAC fans, supporters and alumni.

This past fall semester, our student-athletes persevered through a variety of challenges on and off the field of play. It was truly gratifying to witness first-hand the hard work and determination of our student-athletes as they pushed through obstacles to achieve at the highest levels athletically and academically. The hard work and determination that we saw displayed throughout the season on the field carried over equally into the classroom with a significant amount of our football student-athletes within the conference set to earn academic honors.

As we seek to inspire our next generation of leaders both on and off the field, the rich contributions of the Southwestern Athletic Conference in the general scope of collegiate athletics have been well documented. Some of the greatest student-athletes to ever play the game of football, charted their initial paths while attending our member institutions. Former student-athletes such as Walter Payton (Jackson State), Jerry Rice (Mississippi Valley State), Doug Williams (Grambling State), and Steve McNair (Alcorn State) are just a few of the names that competed in the SWAC before going on to achieve greatness at the professional level.

The excellence within the Southwestern Athletic Conference does not stop with our student-athletes, as our league has also seen some of the top coaches in the history of college football. Eddie Robinson (Grambling State), W.C. Gorden (Jackson State), Pete Richardson (Southern) and Marino Casem (Alcorn State/Southern) are prime examples of outstanding football coaches from our conference that each made significant impacts within their respective programs at the institutions where they contributed so much.

During an event of this magnitude, the proud history and legacy of our conference is undoubtedly highlighted by the one-of-a-kind pageantry and culture that you'll only find at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), and this year's matchup will without a doubt continue to add to that historic legacy.

As we continue to honor the heritage and legacy of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, we want to extend special congratulations to the student-athletes of the competing institutions that are led by Coach Chennis Berry of South Carolina State and Coach Tremaine Jackson of Prairie View A&M.

We'd also like to extend sincere gratitude and thanks to the title sponsor of the game, Cricket, as well as to all of our corporate partners for the tremendous support they provide our conference on a yearly basis. Our corporate sponsors — Pepsi, General Motors, JPMorganChase, Google, Academy Sports + Outdoors, Nike, Home Depot, Cricket, and the City of Atlanta each play vital roles in making the SWAC an outstanding conference. Their continued support assists over 4,000 student-athletes throughout our conference to achieve their full academic and athletic potential. In addition, we'd like to applaud and recognize the tireless efforts of the members and staff of the City of Atlanta and Mercedes-Benz Stadium during the planning and execution of hosting the bowl game at this state-of-the-art venue.

It is our hope that everyone in attendance at today's event leaves with fond memories and unforgettable moments, as we seek to continue to elevate the collective profiles of our beloved HBCUs across the country.

Dr. Charles McClelland



DR. CHARLES MCCLELLAND
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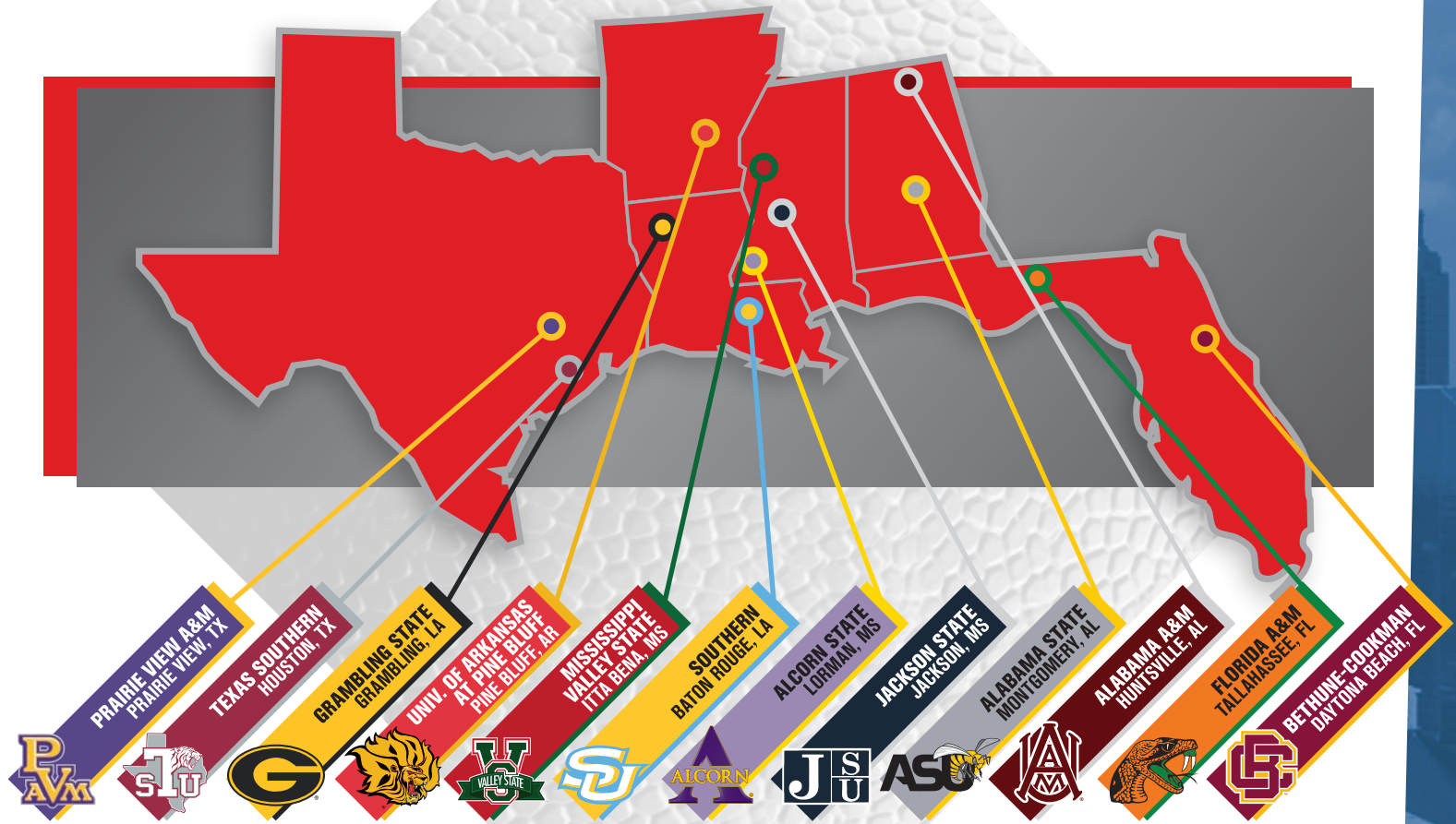
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TIFFANY GREENE
PLAY-BY-PLAY

Tiffany Greene is a pioneering play-by-play commentator for ESPN. Greene is the first African-American woman to serve as a play-by-play commentator for college football on a major network.

Greene covers a variety of collegiate sports including football, basketball, softball, and volleyball. She has called games for the WNBA and NBA G-League, along with several postseason contests including the Celebration Bowl, FCS Playoffs, Division II Football National Championship, and the NCAA Women's Division I Basketball Tournament.

Greene originally began working with ESPN as a college football sideline reporter in 2012. In addition to covering multiple bowl games, Greene also served as a sideline reporter at the Women's College World Series.

Prior to ESPN, Greene honed her skills as a commentator and reporter at Bright House Sports Network in the Orlando and Tampa Bay markets. During that time, she was the play-by-play announcer for the inaugural season of Big East women's basketball on Fox Sports 1.

Greene earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Broadcast Journalism from Florida A&M University (FAMU) in Tallahassee, Florida. She is the recipient of the 2021 Dawn Staley Excellence in Broadcasting Award and the FAMU School of Journalism and Graphic Communication Distinguished Alumni Award.

Greene also serves on the School's Board of Visitors. She is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and the Links Incorporated. Greene resides in Tampa, Florida, with her husband, Aaron Berry, and their sons, Bryson and Aaron "Deuce."



JAY WALKER
ANALYST

Jay Walker joined ESPN in 2005 as a college football analyst and calls HBCU games alongside play-by-play commentator Tiffany Greene.

Walker started his television career with BET and then joined the now-defunct MBC Network from 2002-05.

Out of college, Walker was drafted in the seventh round in 1994 by the New England Patriots, where he played for two seasons. He also spent two years with the Minnesota Vikings.

Walker was drafted out of high school to be a pitcher in the California Angels organization's minor league team, one of a handful of players to play both minor league baseball and in the NFL. While playing in the minors, Walker decided to pursue his passion for football and was recruited as a quarterback to Long Beach State and eventually transferred to Howard University after

football was cut as a sport at Long Beach. At Howard, Walker led the team to their first playoff berth in team history and was named an All-American, to the All-MEAC Team twice and was the I-AA football player of the year by Sports Illustrated. That year, 1993, Howard earned its only undefeated season in program history.

A native of Los Angeles, Walker is a 1994 graduate from Howard with a political science degree. In 2005, he was inducted into the Howard University Athletics Hall of Fame, and most recently, he was named to the MEAC/SWAC All-Time Greatest Team.

Currently, Walker is CEO and President of Walker Financial Services and has been a member of the House of Delegates in Maryland since 1997. He serves on the House Ways and Means Committee and its education and finance resources subcommittees. He is also a member of the Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland.



QUINT KESSENICH
REPORTER

Quint Kessenich began at ESPN in 1993 covering men's lacrosse. He currently serves as a lacrosse analyst and college sports reporter, working on football and wrestling.

Kessenich works on television's most extensive college lacrosse package—featuring regular-season action and the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship, an event he has covered since 1995. He also works as an analyst and reporter on Premier League Lacrosse games across ESPN platforms.

Under his reporting duties, Kessenich covers college football and the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship.

Since joining the company, his responsibilities expanded to high school football, men's college basketball and various NCAA championships, including track and field, and soccer. He established the ESPNU Lacrosse Podcast in 2010, and it quickly became the industry leader for lacrosse news. He was also a frequent contributor to ESPNU.com. In addition, he has covered

the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes for ESPN and ABC.

Kessenich contributes to Inside Lacrosse Magazine, and is actively involved with "First Stick", a non-profit that introduces urban schools and athletes to the game of lacrosse. He was also a columnist on college lacrosse for the Baltimore Sun.

Kessenich played one year of professional lacrosse with the Baltimore Thunder in 1999, and at the amateur level for the storied Mount Washington Lacrosse Club.

A four-time all-American goalkeeper, Kessenich was a two-time winner of the Ensign C. Markland Kelly, Jr. Award as the nation's best goalie. A 1990 graduate of Johns Hopkins University, Kessenich remained in Baltimore, where he has been an assistant lacrosse coach at the Boys' Latin School, a perennial national power since 1992.

He is a member of the Johns Hopkins Athletic Hall of Fame, as well as the Long Island Chapter and the Baltimore Chapter of USA Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE VS. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

MERCEDES-BENZ STADIUM
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

BY A.D. DREW



The 2025 Cricket Celebration Bowl brings together two proud programs playing their best football at the right time. South Carolina State returns to Atlanta as back-to-back MEAC champions, while Prairie View A&M rides a hard-nosed SWAC title run built on a punishing ground game and elite defense. One side wants to throw it, the other wants to pound it—and both believe this is the group that can bring a national spotlight win back to their conference.

LAST TIME OUT

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

- Closed the regular season with a road win at Delaware State to lock up a second straight MEAC crown.
- Quarterback William Atkins IV spread the ball to multiple targets, with the

run game doing enough to keep the Hornets honest.

- The defense punctuated the title with multiple interceptions, including a pick-six, as the Bulldogs finished 9-3 and 5-0 in league play.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

- Went on the road and edged Jackson State 23-21 in a bruising SWAC Championship Game.
- The Panthers leaned on their identity: a powerful run game, field position, and a fast, physical defense.
- With the win, PV became the first SWAC West team to win the league title game on the road in the current format and earned its shot on the Celebration Bowl stage.

STORYLINES TO WATCH

BACK-TO-BACK VS. BREAKTHROUGH

South Carolina State returns to Atlanta as the standard-bearer for the MEAC, chasing another statement win for the league.

Prairie View A&M arrives with a fresh SWAC title and a chance to put the Panthers in the same breath as recent Celebration Bowl headliners.

AIR BULLDOGS VS. GROUND PANTHERS

SC State is most dangerous through the air with Atkins and a deep receiver room, highlighted by Jordan Smith.

PVAMU is built around the run, with Chase Bingmon and Lamagea McDowell leading a rushing attack averaging over 200 yards per game.



TWO ELITE DEFENSES, TWO DIFFERENT STYLES

South Carolina State's defense thrives on disruption—tackles for loss, sacks, and takeaways.

Prairie View A&M quietly boasts one of the stingiest units in the country, especially against the pass, holding opponents under 270 total yards per game.

BATTLE-TESTED PATHS TO ATLANTA

The Bulldogs have lived in big-game environments all year and have handled pressure on the road.

The Panthers just survived a gauntlet of SWAC showdowns, including tight wins at Alcorn State and Jackson State.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

- **QB William Atkins IV** – Accurate and poised, with over 2,300 passing yards, 17 TD and just 4 INT.
- **WR Jordan Smith** – True No. 1 target (50 catches, 791 yards, 7 TD) and the Bulldogs' big-play threat.
- **RBs Tyler Smith / Josh Shaw / Mason Pickett-Hicks** – Committee backfield that can grind out first downs and close drives.
- **DE Michael Lunz II** – Disruptive edge rusher with 17.5 tackles for loss and 9.5 sacks; a game-wrecker off the edge.
- **LB Malik Harp / DBs Jarod Washington, Jalen Levine, Charles Arnold Jr., Tyler Jones** – A physical second level and a ball-hawking secondary with multiple players owning multiple interceptions.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

- **QB Cameron Peters** – Steady operator of the offense: 2,092 passing yards, 18 TD, 63.9% completions.
- **RB Chase Bingmon** – Workhorse back with 857 yards, 6.0 yards per carry, and 8 rushing TD.
- **RB Lamagea McDowell** – Another big-play back (477 yards, 6.0 per carry, 8 TD) who keeps the pressure on defenses.

– **WR Jyzaiah Rockwell** – Go-to receiver with 64 receptions, 988 yards and 7 TD; a matchup problem on the perimeter.

– **LB/DB Trevor Randle & LB Kennedy Parker** – Randle leads the team in tackles and interceptions; Parker leads in tackles for loss, embodying PV's fast, attacking defensive style.

WHAT IT LIKELY COMES DOWN TO

Can PVAMU Run the Ball Like It Has All Year?

If Bingmon, McDowell and the offensive line control the line of scrimmage and keep PV ahead of the chains, the Panthers can shorten the game and protect their defense.

Can SC State Create Chunk Plays in the Passing Game?

Prairie View's pass defense has been lights-out statistically. The Bulldogs will need explosive plays downfield and yards after the catch to loosen up the box.

Third Down and Red Zone Execution

Both offenses are efficient on third down and in the red zone, and both defenses are excellent at getting off the field. A couple of red-zone trips that end in field goals instead of touchdowns could decide it.

Turnovers and Hidden Yardage

Each team comes in with a positive turnover margin and multiple defenders capable of flipping a game with a takeaway. Special teams, field position, and the "hidden yards" in the kicking game will be critical in a championship setting.

KEYS TO THE GAME

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

- **Start Fast** – Early points allow the Bulldogs to unleash their pass rush and be aggressive in coverage.
- **Protect the Quarterback** – PV doesn't blitz recklessly but covers well. Keeping Atkins clean will be vital.
- **Win on the Edges** – Contain PV's outside run game and force the Panthers to drive the field methodically.

– **Limit Explosive Runs** – Make PV earn everything with long, multi-play drives and give the secondary chances to create turnovers.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

- **Stay Committed to the Run** – Even if yards are tough early, the Panthers' identity is built on the ground game and play-action.
- **Feature Rockwell in Multiple Ways** – Move him around the formation, use quick throws, and force SC State to account for him every snap.
- **Tackle in Space** – SC State's backs and receivers can turn short gains into long ones; sound tackling will be a must.
- **Finish Drives with Six** – Prairie View has been strong in the red zone; continuing to cash in with touchdowns instead of field goals will keep pressure on the Bulldogs.

TEAM SNAPSHOTS

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BULLDOGS

- **Record:** 9–3
- **Scoring Offense:** 31.8 points per game
- **Scoring Defense:** 26.3 points allowed per game
- **Offensive Identity:** Pass-leaning attack with an experienced quarterback and multiple receiving threats.
- **Defensive Identity:** Disruptive front that produces sacks and tackles for loss; opportunistic secondary with scoring ability.

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M PANTHERS

- **Record:** 10–3
- **Scoring Offense:** 31.8 points per game
- **Scoring Defense:** 15.8 points allowed per game
- **Offensive Identity:** Run-first, physical offense with a deep backfield and efficient quarterback play.
- **Defensive Identity:** One of the top statistical defenses in FCS, especially against the pass; fast, disciplined, and stingy in the red zone.

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

All stats are season totals/averages entering the Celebration Bowl. PVAMU does not include SCG statistics.

RECORD & SCORING

- **SCSU:** 9–3, 381 points (31.8 ppg)
- **PVAMU:** 10–3, 381 points (31.8 ppg)
- **Points Allowed:**
 - SCSU: 316 (26.3 ppg)
 - PVAMU: 189 (15.8 ppg)

TOTAL OFFENSE

- **SCSU:** 5,050 yards (420.8 ypg)
 - Passing: 3,432 (286.0 ypg)
 - Rushing: 1,618 (134.8 ypg)
- **PVAMU:** 5,177 yards (431.4 ypg)
 - Passing: 2,744 (228.7 ypg)
 - Rushing: 2,433 (202.8 ypg)

TOTAL DEFENSE

- **SCSU:** 3,916 yards allowed (326.3 ypg)
 - vs. Pass: 2,228 (185.7 ypg)
 - vs. Run: 1,688 (140.7 ypg)
- **PVAMU:** 3,235 yards allowed (269.6 ypg)
 - vs. Pass: 1,513 (126.1 ypg)
 - vs. Run: 1,722 (143.5 ypg)

EFFICIENCY

- **Third-Down Offense:**
 - SCSU: 84–178 (47.2%)
 - PVAMU: 62–146 (42.5%)
- **Third-Down Defense** (opponents):
 - SCSU: 49–165 (29.7%)
 - PVAMU: 46–158 (29.1%)
- **Red-Zone Offense:**
 - SCSU: 37–44 (84.1%), 26 TD
 - PVAMU: 43–50 (86.0%), 36 TD

TURNOVERS & PRESSURE

- **Turnover Margin:**
 - SCSU: +4 (19 takeaways / 15 giveaways)
 - PVAMU: +6 (18 takeaways / 12 giveaways)
- **Sacks** (by / allowed):
 - SCSU: 31 sacks / 33 allowed
 - PVAMU: 18 sacks / 7 allowed
- **Time of Possession:**
 - SCSU: 32:18 per game
 - PVAMU: 30:37 per game

2025 CONFERENCE HONORS

MEAC

COACH OF THE YEAR

CHENNIS BERRY, South Carolina State

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

WALKER HARRIS, North Carolina Central

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

JAROD WASHINGTON, South Carolina State

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE YEAR

ROGER SMITH, South Carolina State

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

RAYMOND MOORE III, Morgan State

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
QB	Walker Harris	North Carolina Central
RB	Marquis Gillis	Delaware State
RB	James Jones	Delaware State
WR	Chauncey Spikes	North Carolina Central
WR	Jordan Smith	South Carolina State
TE	Luke Bracey	North Carolina Central
C	Jestus Johnson	Delaware State
OL	Isaiah Cook	Delaware State
OL	Jestus Johnson	Delaware State
OL	Roger Smith	South Carolina State
OL	Trevon Humphrey	North Carolina Central

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
DL	Michael Lunz II	South Carolina State
DL	Thomas Johnson	North Carolina Central
DL	Blanche Gold	Morgan State
DL	Noah Miles	Howard
LB	Erick Hunter	Morgan State
LB	Brian Bates	Delaware State
LB	Jordan Franklin	South Carolina State
DB	Jarod Washington	South Carolina State
DB	Jelani Vassell	North Carolina Central
DB	Kedrick Green	Howard
DB	Tomondrey Braxton	North Carolina Central

FIRST TEAM SPECIALIST

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
P	Brandon Bowman	North Carolina Central
PK	Kaleb Robison	North Carolina Central
RS	Mehki Wall	North Carolina Central

SWAC

COACH OF THE YEAR

TREMAINE JACKSON, Prairie View A&M

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

ANDREW BODY, Alabama State

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

QUINCY IVORY, Jackson State

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

QUINCY IVORY, Jackson State

CO-FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

JARED LOCKHART, Jackson State

CHASE BINGMON, Prairie View A&M

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
QB	Andrew Body	Alabama State
RB	Ahmad Miller	Jackson State
RB	Jaylen Jennings	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
OL	Cameron Smith	Alabama State
OL	D'Andre Townes-Blue	Jackson State
OL	Elijah Baker	Alabama State
OL	Brian Williams, Jr.	Jackson State
OL	Calvin McMillian	Prairie View A&M
WR	Jalen Jones	Alabama State
WR	Jyzaiah Rockwell	Prairie View A&M
TE	Travaunta Abner	Alabama A&M

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
DL	Quincy Ivory	Jackson State
DL	Ckelby Givens	Southern
DL	Warren Robinson	Grambling State
DL	Bryce Cage	Grambling State
LB	Stemarion Edwards	Alcorn State
LB	Danarius Hilliard	Arkansas-Pine Bluff
LB	Reid Pulliam	Jackson State
DB	Travor Randle	Prairie View A&M
DB	Ta'Shaun Sims	Alabama State
DB	Antwone Watts	Bethune-Cookman
DB	Markel Linzer	Grambling State

FIRST TEAM SPECIALIST

POS.	NAME	SCHOOL
PK	Daniel Porto	Florida A&M
P	Max Tulen	Bethune-Cookman
RS	Javon Ross	Bethune-Cookman
LS	Cole Hash	Bethune-Cookman

In a matchup that pits the MEAC's passing firepower and defensive havoc against the SWAC's dominant ground game and suffocating defense, the 2025 Cricket Celebration Bowl has all the ingredients of a classic. Whether it's decided by a big

play through the air, a punishing drive on the ground, or a timely takeaway in the fourth quarter, this one has the feel of a game that could come down to the final possession in Atlanta. ♦

PLAYING DEFENSE: **CHANGING THE GAME ON T1D DETECTION**



ADAM SCHEFTER
SANOFI SPOKESPERSON

You may know me as the guy with the inside scoop on all things football – from trades to draft picks, and everything in between. My job is to know the story *before* it breaks, which means I live for early information.

But this letter isn't about football. It's about something far more personal.

My wife, Sharri, lives with type 1 diabetes (T1D). Ever since I've known her, she's faced every challenge – the finger pricks, the constant math, the invisible mental load – with resilience and grace. Just like any team, I can't just sit on the sidelines. I'm with her every step of the way, planning ahead, showing up, and staying ready if she needs me.

But I won't lie to you, supporting someone with T1D has changed my outlook on life. As a parent, it's also changed how I think about my family. While one familial diagnosis raises the risk for your children and family members by up to 15x, T1D can strike anyone, at any age, often without warning.

That's why T1D screening matters. Because in this game, the sooner you know, the stronger your defense.

Screening can help detect T1D early – in Stages 1 or 2 – even before symptoms start, which means you may be able to reduce the risk of serious complications and give yourself time to learn, prepare, and plan. Like all the best players, you want to know what's coming, so you can face it head on.

If I've learned anything from my wife, it's that you are truly the quarterback of your own life. So, take the next step and talk to your doctor about T1D screening. Advocate for yourself and your family. That's how we change the story – and that's a touchdown for all of us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam Schefter".

Adam Schefter



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COACHING STAFF

Chennis Berry is in his second season as head football coach at South Carolina State University. He has guided SC State to back-to-back Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) titles, the program's 20th MEAC championship overall and its third appearance in the Cricket Celebration Bowl, while posting a perfect 10-0 record in league play. Along the way, Berry has earned consecutive MEAC Coach of the Year honors.

In 2025, Berry's Bulldogs again ranked among the MEAC's best on both sides of the ball. SC State led the conference in total defense and total offense, while also finishing near the top in passing defense, field goals, PATs, interceptions, third-down efficiency, red-zone defense and time of possession. His staff also developed two of the league's marquee performers in MEAC Offensive Lineman of the Year Roger "Big Baby" Smith and MEAC Defensive Player of the Year Jarod Washington.

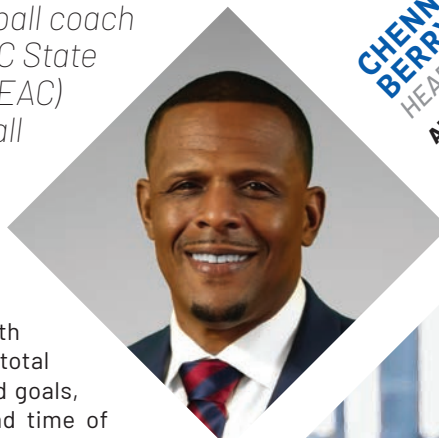
Berry's debut season at SC State in 2024 set the tone for the program's resurgence. That year he collected a long list of honors, including AFCA Coach of the Year, MEAC Coach of the Year and Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year finalist recognition. He was named to the Advancement of Blacks in Sports (ABIS) Coach of the Year watch list and selected to a third straight HBCU Legacy Bowl coaching staff. On the field, he coached MEAC Offensive Lineman of the Year Nick Taste and quarterback Eric Phoenix, who was named MEAC Offensive Player of the Year and became the first-ever HBCU+ National Player of the Year.

Statistically, SC State's 2024 team was one of the most explosive in the MEAC and beyond. The Bulldogs led the conference in total and passing offense, offensive efficiency, rushing defense and sacks, while ranking among the leaders in forced fumbles, first downs and red-zone offense. Nationally, they finished No. 20 in the final FCS Stats Top 25 poll and placed among the leaders in defensive touchdowns, total defense, passing yards, turnovers gained and passing offense.

Berry took over at SC State after a highly successful three-year run as head coach at Benedict College, where he compiled a 27-7 record, went undefeated in Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) play and earned NCAA Division II playoff berths in each of his last two seasons.

Before Benedict, Berry spent seven seasons (2013-19) at Southern University as assistant head coach and offensive coordinator. The Jaguars posted a winning record every year during his tenure, and his offenses set multiple school and Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) records. Southern led the SWAC in rushing and ranked among the national leaders in scoring and total offense, including a 2016 campaign in which the Jaguars averaged nearly 40 points per game. Running back Lenard Tillery flourished under Berry's direction, setting the SWAC single-season rushing mark and becoming the league's all-time leading rusher. As offensive line coach, Berry's units consistently

CHENNIS BERRY
HEAD COACH
Alma Mater
Savannah State (1994)
Record at SCSU
18-6 (2nd Season)
Career Record
45-13 (5th Season)



ranked among the nation’s best in sacks allowed, and he mentored 10 All-SWAC offensive linemen and five All-Americans.

Berry also made significant impacts at Howard University and North Carolina A&T. At Howard (2011-12), he served as co-offensive coordinator and offensive line coach, helping the Bison finish second in the MEAC in total offense and rushing, while producing four All-MEAC offensive linemen and the league’s leading rusher. At North Carolina A&T, he was associate head coach, offensive coordinator and offensive line coach from 2009-10, after an earlier stint as offensive line coach from 2003-05. His powerful running games helped the Aggies capture the 2003 MEAC championship and earn an NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision playoff berth.

From 2006-08, Berry was offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Morgan State, where his teams consistently featured one of the MEAC’s top rushing attacks and ranked in the top 50 nationally in rushing offense each season. He has also completed internships with six NFL organizations through the league’s Minority Internship Program and is an alumnus of the NCAA Expert Coaches Academy.

Berry began his coaching career in 1996 at Morris Brown College in Atlanta under head coach Joe Crosby. He then moved to

Kentucky State University in 1997 as offensive line and tight ends coach and strength and conditioning coordinator under George Small. Behind Berry’s offensive front, running back Alvon Brown shattered multiple school and NCAA Division II records, twice breaking the single-season rushing record and finishing as the program’s all-time leading rusher. Brown’s 405-yard performance on September 16, 2000, stood as a Division II single-game rushing record at the time and helped him earn SIAC Player of the Year and Back of the Year honors on two occasions.

In 2001, Berry became assistant head coach at Fort Valley State University, coaching the Wildcats’ offensive line and tight ends. His impact was immediate, as lineman Philip Shiflet was named SIAC Offensive Lineman of the Year and earned first-team Sheridan All-America recognition.

A former standout offensive lineman himself, Berry earned his bachelor’s degree in business administration from Savannah State University, where he was a First Team All-SIAC offensive tackle, Black College All-American honorable mention selection and team captain. He later completed a master’s degree in public administration at Kentucky State University.

Berry and his wife, Ramille, are the parents of four children: Jasmin, Mia, Chennis III and Channing. ♦

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SEASON RECAP

BY A.D. DREW



BULLDOG TENACITY

South Carolina State's 2025 football season was a slow-burn masterpiece — a team that got hardened by an early gauntlet, found its identity on offense, leaned on a disruptive defense, and then simply refused to lose once MEAC play arrived.

SC State didn't just win the MEAC again. By the time the Bulldogs walked out of Dover with a 28-17 victory over Delaware State and their second straight MEAC title, The Bulldogs *owned* it, finishing 9-3 overall, 5-0 in the league, running head coach Chennis Berry's conference record to a perfect 10-0 in his first two seasons in Orangeburg, and punching their ticket to the Cricket Celebration Bowl.

And it didn't start pretty.

SURVIVING THE EARLY GAUNTLET

The year opened with the kind of game that gives coaches gray hair and fan bases heartburn.

In the home opener against Wofford, South Carolina State did almost everything right except put the game away. The Bulldogs outgained the Terriers, controlled the clock and moved the ball, but a kickoff return touchdown and a safety had them staring at a 15-9 deficit late in the fourth.

Graduate kicker Nico Cavanillas Alti kept SC State within striking distance with three field goals. Then, with 1:29 to play, backup quarterback Ryan Stubblefield rolled right and fired a 12-yard strike to Shamontae Burgess in the front corner of the end zone. Just like that, the Bulldogs stole a 16-15 win and a 1-0 start.

Reality arrived in a hurry.

SC State went to Williams-Brice Stadium and stood toe-to-

toe with #10 South Carolina early before the Gamecocks' depth took over in a 38-10 loss. A trip to South Florida ended in a 63-14 defeat as the Bulls' speed showed up in all three phases. Sandwiched between those FBS tests, the Bulldogs flashed their offensive ceiling in a 55-41 shootout win over Bethune-Cookman, then let a road game at Charleston Southern slip away, 31-24.

Through five games, the record read 2-3. The question was simple: Which version of South Carolina State would show up when the calendar turned to MEAC play?

SEASON TURNS AT HOME

The answer arrived in the form of a 49-6 demolition of Savannah State in Orangeburg.

That afternoon, SC State looked like the bully on the block again. The offense rolled past 400 yards. The Bulldogs scored 49 unanswered points. The defense dominated the line of scrimmage and never let the Tigers breathe. It wasn't just a win; it felt like a reset for the entire program.

From there, South Carolina State didn't look back.

A week later, the Bulldogs went on the road and beat longtime rival North Carolina A&T 22-16 in Greensboro. The defense set the tone, piling up tackles for loss and knocking the Aggies behind the sticks. Freshman back Mason Pickett-Hicks and veteran Tyler Smith churned out tough yards, and punter Elliott



Janish quietly became one of the most important players on the field by flipping field position all night.

At 4-3, the Bulldogs had something they hadn't had all year: momentum.

OWNING THE MEAC

Once league play started, SC State played like a team that had no interest in sharing the trophy.

The Bulldogs opened MEAC action with a road win at Norfolk State, then returned home and outlasted Morgan State 36-30 in a game that was more lopsided than the final score suggested. New starter William Atkins IV spread the ball around to nine different receivers and threw for more than 360 yards. Tyler Smith pounded in two rushing touchdowns, and the Bulldogs led 33-10 after three quarters before easing off the gas.

The following week, South Carolina State closed its home slate by hammering Howard 42-12. From the opening drive, it was one-way traffic. Josh Shaw finished an opening march with a short touchdown run. Defensive back Jarod Washington jumped a route for a pick-six. Right before halftime, the Bulldogs blocked a field goal, Washington scooped it and scored again. The defense held Howard under two yards per carry, and Berry stayed perfect at Dawson Stadium.

At that point, SC State stood 7-3 overall, 3-0 in the MEAC, and clearly in control of the race. The last two hurdles were the toughest: a primetime road date at North Carolina Central and a trip to Delaware State with a championship on the line.

BIG-TIME IN PRIMETIME

In Durham, under the ESPN2 lights, the Bulldogs played their best game of the year when they absolutely had to.

SC State struck first with a field goal, then stunned the home crowd with a late first-quarter burst. Atkins hit Deyandre Ruffin for a 28-yard touchdown, the Bulldogs recovered an

onside kick, and on the very next snap he went deep again — this time 51 yards to Nigel Johnson. In the span of 10 seconds, a 3-3 tie turned into a 17-3 lead.

NCCU fought back behind a bruising ground game and a pick-six, then marched 98 yards late in the half to suddenly lead 20-17. The Eagles stretched it to 27-20 in the third.

But the fourth quarter belonged to the Bulldogs.

Atkins coolly directed a 13-play scoring drive, capping it with a touchdown pass to Jordan Smith. After the defense forced a stop, Josh Shaw ripped off a 30-yard touchdown run with under two minutes to play. One more defensive stand later, SC State walked off with a 34-27 win and a stranglehold on the conference.

CLOSING LIKE CHAMPIONS

One week later at Delaware State, the Bulldogs finished what they started.

With the MEAC title on the line, South Carolina State delivered a businesslike 28-17 win. Atkins was efficient and explosive, hitting big plays to Johnson, Smith and Johnny Jones. Shaw was steady as ever on the ground, flirting with 100 rushing yards. Linebacker Malik Harp led the defense, and the secondary slammed the door with three interceptions, including a pick-six from Jalen Levine.

When the clock hit zero, the Bulldogs were back-to-back MEAC champions, 5-0 in the league for the second straight year, and headed back to the Cricket Celebration Bowl as the class of the conference.

THE LEGACY OF 2025

On paper, the numbers tell a strong story: 9-3 overall, a perfect conference record, a second straight league title. But the real legacy of the 2025 Bulldogs lies in how they got there.

They were tested early and didn't flinch. They got humbled and responded. They turned their home field back into a fortress, proved they could win ugly on the road, and showed they could close out tight games in the fourth quarter.

In short, they played like champions long before they lifted the trophy — and that's what "Bulldog Tenacity" really looked like. ♦



FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

ATHLETICS

NATIONAL AFFILIATION | NCAA Division I – FCS

CONFERENCE | MEAC
Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

STADIUM | Oliver C. Dawson Bulldog Stadium

CAPACITY / SURFACE | 22,000 / Poly Turf

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

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INSTAGRAM | SCStateAthletics

FACEBOOK | SC State Bulldogs

X/TWITTER | SCStateAthletic

YOUTUBE | SC State Athletics

RADIO, AIR | WPJK 1580 AM and 92.9 FM
in Orangeburg
(Play-by-Play: Ernest Robinson)
(Analyst: William “Bill” Hamilton)

RADIO, ONLINE | <https://zeno.fm/WPJKAM/>

FOOTBALL HISTORY

FIRST YEAR | 1907

ALL-TIME RECORD | 568-361-27

ALL-TIME BOWL RECORD | 7-8

PLAYOFFS RECORD | 2-6

YEARS IN POSTSEASON | 6

LAST POSTSEASON APPEARANCE | 2024

MEAC CHAMPIONSHIPS | 20
(2025, 2024, 2021, 2019, 2014, 2013, 2010,
2009, 2008, 2004, 1994, 1983, 1982, 1981,
1980, 1978, 1977, 1976, 1975, 1974)

BLACK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | 6
(2021, 2009, 1994, 1981, 1977, 1976)

TEAM INFORMATION

2025 OVERALL RECORD | 9-3

2025 MEAC RECORD / FINISH | 5-0 / 1st

BASIC OFFENSE | Multiple/Pro I

BASIC DEFENSE | Multiple 4



2025 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE | 9-3 OVERALL, 5-0 MEAC

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	RESULT
Aug. 30	vs. Wofford College	Orangeburg, SC	W, 16-15
Sep. 6	at Univ. of South Carolina	Columbia, SC	L, 10-38
Sep. 13	vs. Bethune-Cookman	Orangeburg, SC	W, 55-41
Sep. 20	at Univ. of South Florida	Tampa, FL	L, 14-63
Sep. 27	at Charleston Southern	Charleston SC	L, 24-31
Oct. 4	vs. Savannah State	Orangeburg, SC	W, 49-6
Oct. 11	at North Carolina A&T	Greensboro, NC	W, 22-16
Oct. 25	at Norfolk State	Norfolk, VA	W, 51-20
Nov. 1	vs. Morgan State	Orangeburg, SC	W, 36-30
Nov. 8	vs. Howard	Orangeburg, SC	W, 42-12
Nov. 14	at North Carolina Central	Durham, NC	W, 34-27
Nov. 22	at Delaware State	Dover, DE	W, 28-17

2025 STATISTICAL LEADERS

INDIVIDUAL STATS

#	RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
10	Tyler Smith	12	105	503	13	490	4.7	5	55	40.83
6	Mason Pickett-Hicks	8	55	271	13	258	4.7	2	69	32.25
32	Josh Shaw	8	39	260	9	251	6.4	3	41	31.38

#	PASSING	GP	RATING	COMP	ATT	INT	%	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/G
1	William Atkins IV	11	155.43	164	262	4	62.60	2323	17	75	211.18

#	RECEIVING	GP	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
5	Jordan Smith	12	50	791	15.82	7	75	65.92
0	Jalen Johnson	12	50	608	12.16	2	37	50.67
4	Deyandre Ruffin	12	37	432	11.68	2	30	36.00
3	Johnny Jones	12	16	270	16.88	1	52	22.50

#	DEFENSE	GP	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL-YDS	SACKS-YDS	INT	BU	QBH	FR	FF
10	Jordan Franklin	12	37	18	55.0	10.0-44	2.0-26	2-0	4	1	1-2	1
33	Malik Harp	12	35	18	53.0	5.5-16	0	0	3	1	1-4	0
34	Roderick Kelly	12	22	26	48.0	2.5-9	1.0-5	0	2	0	0	0
11	Michael Lunz II	12	27	15	42.0	17.5-68	9.5-48	0	0	10	0	2
6	Brenyen Scott	12	23	11	34.0	2.0-10	0	1-0	3	0	—	0
8	Charles Arnold, Jr.	12	22	10	32.0	0.5-1	0	2-113	2	0	0	0
5	Tyler Jones	11	22	10	32.0	1.5-3	0	2-0	0	0	0	0
12	Jarod Washington	12	29	3	32.0	1.0-3	0	2-51	20	0	0	1

#	FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	%	I20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	BLK
30	Nico Cavanillas Altí	14-18	77.78	0-0	5-6	4-4	3-6	2-2	50	0



TEAM STATS

SCORE BY QTRS	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	TOTAL
SCSU	99	104	80	98	381
Opponents	37	98	79	102	316

SCORING	SCSU	OPP
Points Per Game	31.75	26.33
Total	381	316

FIRST DOWNS	SCSU	OPP
Rushing	94	81
Passing	148	97
Penalty	13	30
Total	255	208

RUSHING	SCSU	OPP
Yards gained	1927	2035
Yards lost	309	347
Attempts	446	402
Avg. Per Attempt	3.6	4.2
Avg. Per Game	134.8	140.7
Touchdowns	20	12
Total	1618	1688

PASSING	SCSU	OPP
Att-Comp-Int	410-249-7	349-166-14
Avg. Per Attempt	8.37	6.38
Avg. Per Game	286.00	185.67
Touchdowns	22	19
Total	3432	2228

TOTAL OFFENSE	SCSU	OPP
Total Plays	856	751
Avg. Per Play	5.9	5.2
Avg. Per Game	420.8	326.3
Total Yards	5050	3916
Touchdowns	48	40

PENALTIES	SCSU	OPP
Avg. Yds/Game	72.58	61.67
Total-Yards	99-871	88-740

TIME OF POSSESSION	SCSU	OPP
Avg. Per Game	32:18	27:32
Total	06:27:34	05:30:21





ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	CL.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Joshua Barker	DL	Jr.	5-9	225	Kennesaw, GA / Benedict College
0	Jalen Johnson	WR	Sr.	5-9	175	New Orleans, LA / Grambling State
1	William Atkins IV	QB	Sr.	6-1	215	Baltimore, MD / James Madison
1	Sharmari Reed	DB	Sr.	6-1	200	Atlanta, GA / KSU/UCM
2	Mike Evans	DB	Jr.	6-1	188	Saint Petersburg, FL / Austin Peay
2	Ryan Stubblefield	QB	Sr.	6-0	205	Houston, TX / UIW-Incarnate Word
3	Jabin Ford	DB	Sr.	6-0	175	Bulter, GA / Liberty
3	Johnny Jones	WR	Jr.	5-10	175	Pahokee, FL / Edward Waters
4	Deyandre Ruffin	WR	Sr.	6-2	205	Savannah, GA / Allen
5	Tyler Jones	DB	So.	6-3	200	/ Chapin HS/Dutch Fork HS
5	Jordan Smith	WR	Sr.	5-11	180	Columbia, SC / Ridge View HS
6	Mason Pickett-Hicks	RB	Fr.	5-8	162	Rock Hill, SC / South Pointe HS
6	Brenyen Scott	DB	Sr.	6-1	205	Ruskin, FL / Temple
7	Shamontae Burgess	WR	Sr.	5-10	175	Lake City, SC / Lake City HS
7	Ka'Von Chisolm	DE	So.	6-5	260	Estill, SC / Hampton Co. HS
8	Charles Arnold, Jr.	S	Sr.	5-10	190	Fairburn, GA / Coastal Carolina
8	Nick Brown	TE	Jr.	6-2	218	Kingstree, SC / Kingstree HS
9	Jordan Dollard	DL	So.	6-5	260	Greensboro, NC / SE Guilford HS
9	Nicholas Sowell	WR	Jr.	6-6	205	Irmo, SC / Benedict College
10	Jordan Franklin	LB	Jr.	6-2	205	Waynesboro, GA / Burke County HS
10	Tyler Smith	RB	Sr.	5-10	190	Gaffney, SC / Gaffney HS
11	Michael Lunz II	DE	Sr.	6-3	245	Radcliff, KY / Tulane
11	Jaquarius Mayrant	WR	So.	6-1	165	Camden, SC / Camden HS
12	Nigel Johnson	WR	Jr.	6-5	200	Sumter, SC / Crestwood HS
12	Jarod Washington	DB	Sr.	6-2	188	Fredericksburg, VA / Benedict
13	Marquis Bradley	DB	So.	6-2	190	Gaffney, SC / Gaffney HS
14	Cyrus Ellison	WR	Sr.	6-4	225	Pamplico, SC / Hannah Pamplico HS
15	Shon Brown	DE	Sr.	6-2	231	Conway, SC / Limestone
15	TJ Moore	QB	So.	6-2	215	Deland FL / Deland HS
16	Bryce Bowens	QB	So.	6-1	210	Atlanta, GA / Benedict College
17	KZ Adams	RB	Sr.	5-8	188	West Columbia, SC / Georgia State
17	Zan Dunham	LB	Sr.	6-2	225	Chester, SC / Chester HS
18	Darius Thompson	WR	Sr.	6-2	190	Plainfield, NJ / Bluefield State
19	John Grant III	TE	Sr.	6-4	242	Charleston, SC / Coastal Carolina
20	Demario Bookhart	DB	So.	6-1	175	Spartanburg, SC / Spartanburg HS
21	Julian Milligan	RB	Jr.	6-1	220	Columbia, SC / Fayetteville State
21	Marcus Samuels	DB	Jr.	6-1	180	Jacksonville, FL / Benedict College
22	Kacy Fields	RB	So.	6-0	225	Saint Helena Island / Brevard HS
23	Dominic Reaves	DB	Jr.	5-10	190	Tampa, FL / South Dakota
24	Kwantre Harry	DB	Sr.	5-9	177	Bishopville, SC / Lee Central HS
25	Dae'Mon Cherry	WR	Sr.	5-11	180	Cincinnati, OH / Benedict College
25	Charron Dorsey	DB	So.	5-10	175	Jacksonville, FL / Ferris State
26	Jalen Levine	DB	Jr.	6-0	170	Walterboro, SC / Bryant University
27	Mathew Joines	DB	Fr.	6-1	200	Winston-Salem, NC / West Point
29	Hunter Puckett	DL	Jr.	6-3	245	Anderson, SC / Westside HS
30	Nico Cavanillas Alti	K	Sr.	6-0	190	Madrid, Spain / Keiser University
32	Josh Shaw	RB	Sr.	5-11	220	Hannah, SC / Hannah HS
33	Malik Harp	LB	Sr.	6-1	230	Orlando, FL / Fort Valley State
34	Roderick Kelly	LB	So.	6-2	225	Lakeland, FL / Arkansas State

NO.	NAME	POS.	CL.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
35	Jaiden Kimble	LB	So.	6-0	185	Columbia, SC / Kennesaw State
36	MaxCeon Cobb	P	Jr.	5-10	185	Orlando, FL / Jones HS
37	Elliot Janish	P	Sr.	6-4	205	Midwest City, OK / Utah
38	Karl Luccin	DB	Fr.	5-11	190	Miami, FL / Atlantic Community
39	Jaheim Rose	LB	Fr.	6-0	215	Sumter, SC / Sumter HS
41	Omari Davis	DL	So.	6-2	220	Clover, SC / Clover HS
42	Javon Beckford	DE	Fr.	6-2	288	Atlanta, GA / Langston Hughes HS
43	Keanu Kuma	LB	Jr.	5-11	220	Easton, CA / Fresno City College
45	DJ Bethea	LB	Sr.	6-2	205	Lake View, SC / Lake View HS
46	Trevon Williams	DB	Fr.	6-2	215	Blythewood, SC / Brookland-Cayce HS
47	Cedric Oglesby	K	Fr.	5-9	180	Atlanta, GA / Riverwood Int'l Charter
48	Curtis Hilton	DB	Jr.	5-11	180	Columbia, SC
49	Donqua Wilson	OL	Jr.	6-5	285	West Columbia, SC / Palmetto Prep
50	James Reddick II	OL	Gr.	6-2	307	Jackson St./McNeese St./Ft. Valley
51	Moses Umoren	OL	Jr.	6-5	285	Columbus, GA / Carver HS (GA)
52	Jayvier Fraizer	OL	So.	6-5	310	Richmond, VA / West Virginia State
53	Konner Lucas	LS	So.	6-1	225	Orlando, FL / First Academy
54	David Wilson	LB	Fr.	6-1	205	Columbia, SC / Spring Valley HS
55	Kiande Marsh	OL	Fr.	6-1	320	Charlotte, NC / Hough HS
59	Nickolas Smalls	LS	Fr.	6-0	250	Augusta, GA / Westside HS
60	Joseph Allende	OL	Fr.	6-4	350	Lexington, SC / River Bluff HS
61	Nick Williams	OL	Sr.	6-5	315	Clark Hill, SC / Fox Creek HS
62	Shammond Price	OL	Sr.	6-2	330	Irmo, SC / Limestone
63	Woody Celucien	OL	Fr.	6-5	315	Miami, FL / Miami Central
64	Isaiah Evans	OL	Fr.	6-9	318	/ Whale Branch HS
65	Kanaan Ligons	OL	Jr.	6-4	310	Batesburg, SC / Ridge Spring-Monetta
67	Jereme Brown	OL	So.	6-5	330	Anderson, SC / Westside HS
70	Chevez Trask, Jr.	OL	Sr.	6-5	300	Chicago, IL / Temple/Kennesaw St.
71	Eli Williams	OL	So.	6-6	280	Irmo, SC / Irmo HS
72	Tavien Ford	OT	Sr.	6-4	325	Charlotte, NC / VMI
73	Roger Smith	OL	Sr.	6-4	330	Maple Heights, OH / Benedict College
74	Joe Johnson	OL	Jr.	6-9	305	Pickerington, OH / Benedict College
77	Jacob Allen	OL	Sr.	6-2	315	Atlanta, GA / Murray State
79	Justin Jackson	OL	Jr.	6-4	300	Greenville, SC / Greenville Senior HS
81	Evan Phillips	TE	So.	6-4	225	Graniteville, SC / Midland Valley HS
82	Zai Offord	WR	So.	5-11	170	Forest Acres, SC / Gray Collegiate
84	Malik Brightwell	WR	Fr.	5-8	161	/ Newton County HS
85	Jorryn Simmons	WR	Jr.	5-9	180	Walterboro, SC / Colleton Co. HS
86	Armohd Wood	WR	So.	5-9	175	Atlanta, GA / Clarkston HS
87	Britton Holmes	WR	So.	5-10	170	W. Palm Beach, FL / Palm Bch Central HS
88	Dylan Boone	TE	Sr.	6-5	235	Savannah, GA / Presbyterian
89	Antwon McCrae	WR	Fr.	6-0	174	Jacksonville, FL / Westside HS
91	Romarion Warner	DL	Sr.	6-3	245	Lexington, KY / Georgetown College
93	Jamal Williams	DL	Fr.	6-2	210	Haines City, FL / Haines City HS
95	Jackson Chavis	DL	Fr.	6-4	300	Hartsville, SC / Limestone University
96	Micaiah Settles	DL	Jr.	6-1	295	Columbia, SC / AC Flora HS
97	Jalynn Coard	DL	Fr.	6-1	270	Manning, SC / Manning HS
98	Elijah Williams	DL	Jr.	6-2	275	Tallahassee, FL / CAU
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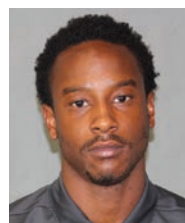
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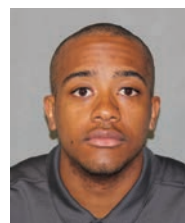
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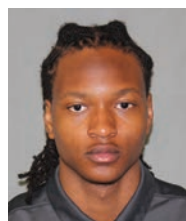
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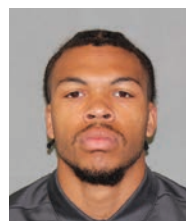
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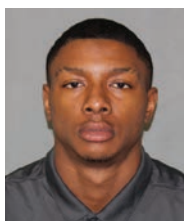
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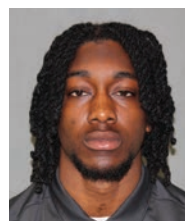
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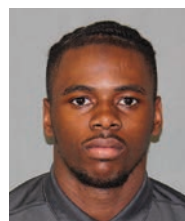
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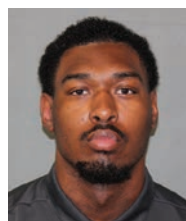
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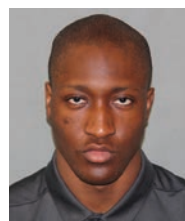
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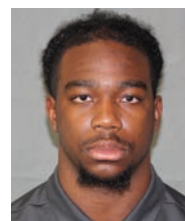
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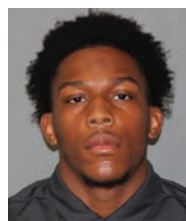
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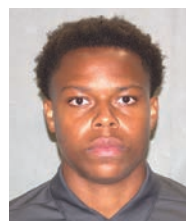
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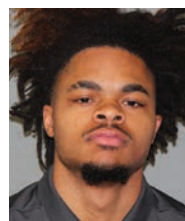
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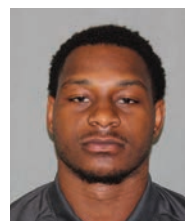
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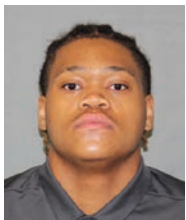
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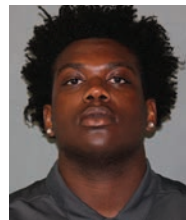
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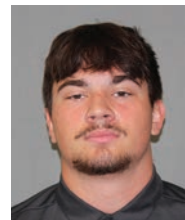
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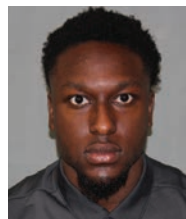
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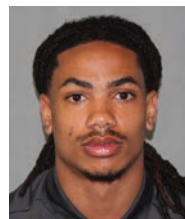
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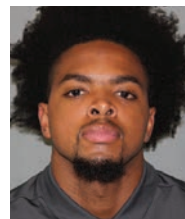
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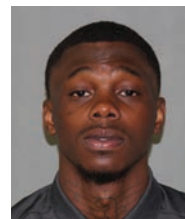
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CRICKET MEAC/SWAC CHALLENGE KICK-OFF

ABC/AUG. 23, 2025 | CENTER PARC STADIUM | ATLANTA, GA
NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL VS SOUTHERN



FCS KICKOFF

ESPN/AUG. 23, 2025 | CRAMTON BOWL | MONTGOMERY, AL
UC DAVIS VS MERCER



RED TAILS CLASSIC

ESPN/AUG. 31, 2025 | CRAMTON BOWL | MONTGOMERY, AL
WINSTON-SALEM STATE VS TUSKEGEE



RED LOBSTER BAND OF THE YEAR

ESPN+ / DEC. 12, 2025 | MERCEDES-BENZ STADIUM | ATLANTA, GA
TOP-RANKED HBCU MARCHING BANDS



CRICKET CELEBRATION BOWL

ABC/DEC. 13, 2025 | MERCEDES-BENZ STADIUM | ATLANTA, GA
MEAC CHAMPION VS SWAC CHAMPION



IS4S SALUTE TO VETERANS BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 16, 2025 | CRAMTON BOWL | MONTGOMERY, AL
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



STAFFORD CURE BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 17, 2025 | CAMPING WORLD STADIUM | ORLANDO, FL
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



XBOX BOWL

ESPN2/DEC. 18, 2025 | FORD CENTER AT THE STAR | FRISCO, TX
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



MYRTLE BEACH BOWL PRESENTED BY ENGINE

ESPN/DEC. 19, 2025 | BROOKS STADIUM | CONWAY, SC
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



UNION HOME MORTGAGE GASPARILLA BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 19, 2025 | RAYMOND JAMES STADIUM | TAMPA, FL
SEC, AMERICAN, ACC, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 22, 2025 | ALBERTSON'S STADIUM | BOISE, ID
MAC VS MOUNTAIN WEST



BUSH'S BOCA RATON BOWL OF BEANS

ESPN/DEC. 23, 2025 | FLAGLER CREDIT UNION STADIUM | BOCA RATON, FL
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



SCOOTER'S COFFEE FRISCO BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 23, 2025 | FORD CENTER AT THE STAR | FRISCO, TX
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



SHERATON HAWAII BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 24, 2025 | CLARENCE E.C. CHUNG ATHLETICS COMPLEX | HONOLULU, HI
AMERICAN VS MOUNTAIN WEST



SERVPRO FIRST RESPONDER BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 26, 2025 | GERALD J. FORD STADIUM | DALLAS, TX
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



WASABI FENWAY BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 27, 2025 | FENWAY PARK | BOSTON, MA
ACC VS AMERICAN



ISLETA NEW MEXICO BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 27, 2025 | UNIVERSITY STADIUM | ALBUQUERQUE, NM
MOUNTAIN WEST VS AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, SUN BELT



KINDER'S TEXAS BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 31, 2025 | NRG STADIUM | HOUSTON, TX
BIG 12 VS SEC



JLAB BIRMINGHAM BOWL

ESPN/DEC. 29, 2025 | PROTECTIVE STADIUM | BIRMINGHAM, AL
SEC VS AMERICAN, CUSA, ACC, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT



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ESPN/DEC. 31, 2025 | ALLEGIAN STADIUM | LAS VEGAS, NV
BIG TEN VS PAC-12



LOCKHEED MARTIN ARMED FORCES BOWL

ESPN/JAN. 2, 2026 | AMON G. CARTER STADIUM | FORT WORTH, TX
AMERICAN, CUSA, MAC, MOUNTAIN WEST, SUN BELT

2025 BASKETBALL EVENTS



DICK VITALE INVITATIONAL PRESENTED BY BELK

ESPN/NOV. 4, 2025 | SPECTRUM CENTER | CHARLOTTE, NC
TEXAS VS DUKE



PERATON ARMED FORCES CLASSIC

ESPN/NOV. 4, 2025 | US NAVAL ACADEMY | ANNAPOLIS, MD
LOUISVILLE VS UCONN (WOMEN'S)



STATE FARM CHAMPIONS CLASSIC

ESPN/NOV. 18, 2025 | MADISON SQUARE GARDEN | NY
MICHIGAN STATE VS KENTUCKY | KANSAS VS DUKE



SHRINERS CHILDREN'S CHARLESTON CLASSIC

ESPN NETWORKS | NOV. 21 & 23, 2025 | TD ARENA | CHARLESTON, SC
PALMETTO BRACKET: CLEMSON, GEORGIA, WEST VIRGINIA, XAVIER
LOWCOUNTRY BRACKET: BOSTON COLLEGE, DAVIDSON, TULANE, UTAH STATE



TERRY'S CHOCOLATE ESPN EVENTS INVITATIONAL

ESPN NETWORKS | NOV. 24-28, 2025 | ESPN WIDEWORLD OF SPORTS COMPLEX | KISSIMEE, FL
ADVENTURE BRACKET: BRADLEY, LIBERTY, PRINCETON, RHODE ISLAND, TEMPLE, TOWSON, UC SAN DIEGO, VERMONT
MAGIC BRACKET: BYU, DAYTON, GEORGETOWN, MIAMI (FL)
IMAGINATION BRACKET: CHARLOTTE, FURMAN, ILLINOIS STATE, RICHMOND



JIMMY V MEN'S CLASSIC PRESENTED BY MODELO

ESPN/DEC. 9, 2025 | MADISON SQUARE GARDEN | NEW YORK, NY
CLEMSON VS BYU | FLORIDA VS UCONN

2025 VOLLEYBALL EVENTS



SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET BROADWAY BLOCK PARTY

ESPN NETWORKS | AUG. 31, 2025 | BRIDGESTONE ARENA | NASHVILLE, TN
NEBRASKA VS KENTUCKY | PURDUE VS TENNESSEE | ILLINOIS VS VANDERBILT



SHRINERS CHILDREN'S SHOWDOWN AT THE NET

ESPN NETWORKS | SEP. 10, 2025 | DICKIES ARENA | FORT WORTH, TX
PITT VS KENTUCKY | LOUISVILLE VS TEXAS

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2026 SOFTBALL EVENTS



SHRINERS CHILDREN'S CLEARWATER INVITATIONAL PRESENTED BY EVOSHIELD

ESPN NETWORKS | FEB. 12-15, 2026 | EDDIE C. MOORE COMPLEX | CLEARWATER, FL
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2026 GYMNASTICS EVENTS



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ESPN NETWORKS | JAN. 10, 2026 | MAVERICK CENTER | WEST VALLEY CITY, UT
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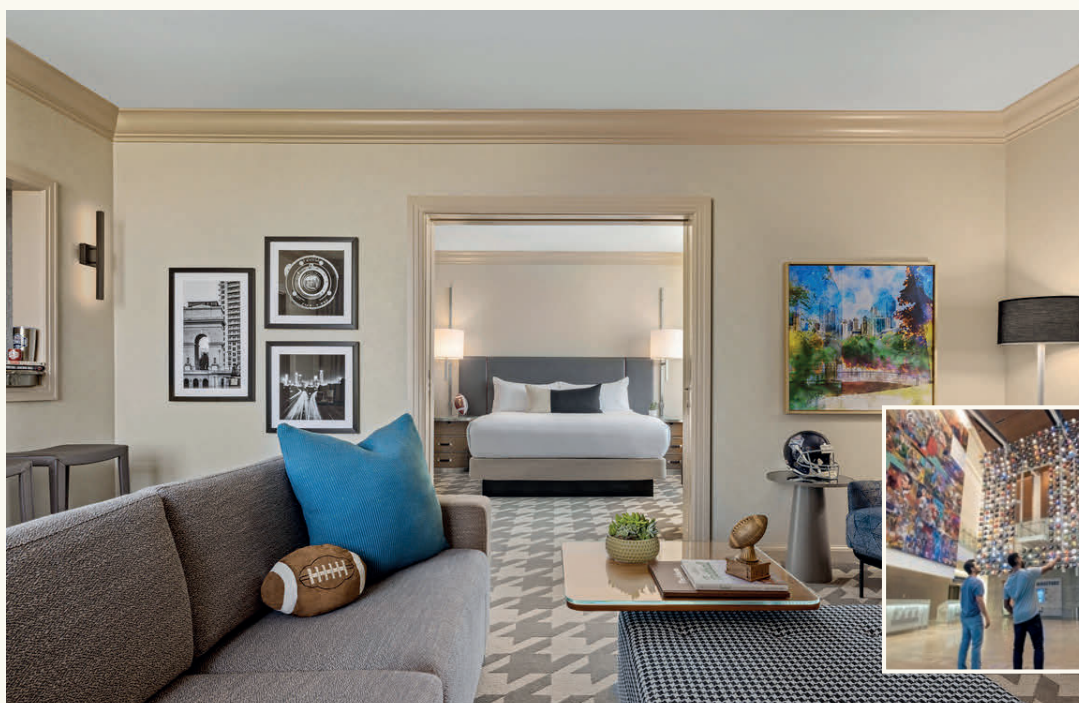
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COACHING STAFF

On January 1, 2025, Tremaine Jackson took over as the head coach of the Prairie View A&M football program. Prior to joining Prairie View A&M, Jackson made a significant mark at Valdosta State University, where he was named the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) National Division II Coach of the Year. This recognition made him only the third head coach in Valdosta State history to earn the prestigious honor.

Jackson led the Blazers to the NCAA Division II National Championship Game, where they faced Ferris State. His tenure at Valdosta State included a stellar 30-8 record in his third season and a perfect 13-0 season in 2024, culminating in the program's 11th Gulf South Conference (GSC) title with a 6-0 mark. Over five seasons as a head coach, Jackson posted an overall record of 40-11, including a remarkable 13-0 season. This marked the fifth time in program history that the Blazers achieved 13 or more wins in a season. Jackson also earned the GSC Co-Coach of the Year honor in 2024.

In his second season as head coach at Valdosta State, Jackson led the Blazers to the GSC title, making history as the first Black coach to win the conference title, and the only non-HBCU Black coach to achieve this distinction. Jackson's leadership was pivotal in guiding the team to a 10-1 record and a No. 3 seed in the NCAA Division II Playoffs. Notable victories included a 58-28 triumph over West Georgia in the regular season finale. Under his guidance, the Blazers' offense ranked among the top 15 nationally in passing, first downs, and completion percentage, and quarterback Sammy Edwards was a finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy.

In addition to on-field success, Jackson fostered academic excellence at Valdosta State. The Blazers posted their highest-ever team GPA of 2.84 in 2023, with 54 players achieving a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Jackson's players also actively contributed to the community through service projects such as Habitat for Humanity and Earth Day cleanups.

Jackson's contributions to football were recognized on a national scale. He was named to ESPN's list of 45 minority coaches under 45 to watch and included on FootballScoop's 2022 Minority Watch List. Jackson also earned two NFL Bill Walsh Minority Fellowships, spending time with the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Jacksonville Jaguars.



TREMAINE JACKSON
HEAD COACH

Alma Mater
University of Houston (2006)

Record at PVAMU
10-3 (1st Season)

Career Record
50-15 (5th Season)



Before his success at Valdosta State, Jackson served as head coach at Colorado Mesa University, where he led the team to a 10-3 record and historic victories, including an upset win over a top-5 opponent. His coaching career also includes stops at Texas State, Abilene Christian, and the University of Sioux Falls, where he made notable contributions to each program's success.

A former defensive lineman, Jackson played at Texas Southern before transferring to the University of Louisiana-Monroe, and later graduating from the University of Houston in 2006 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies. Off the

field, Jackson has been an advocate for minority coaching advancement, serving as Vice President of the Minority Coaches Advancement Association, and he received the 2022 Harry Butler Community Service Award for his work in community service.

With a strong reputation for mentoring, leading successful teams, and contributing to his community, Tremaine Jackson brings a wealth of experience and leadership to Prairie View A&M as the new head coach of the football program. The Houston, Texas, native has one daughter, Harmony. ♦

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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

SEASON RECAP

BY A.D. DREW



GROUND GAME AND GRIT: PANTHERS GRIND THEIR WAY TO SWAC CROWN

Prairie View A&M didn't just win football games this fall — the Panthers imposed their will. Behind a bruising ground attack and a defense that grew stingier by the week, PVAMU marched through the schedule and finished as SWAC champions, putting together one of the program's most complete seasons in recent memory. The Panthers became the first SWAC team to win a championship game on the road in the home-game era of the SWAC Championship game and are the first SWAC West Division representative in the Cricket Celebration Bowl since the Grambling State Tigers in 2016. The year was defined by 100-yard rushing nights, timely plays in the clutch, and a locker room that never blinked when the pressure turned up.

SETTING THE TONE IN HOUSTON

The tone was set right out of the gate in Houston. In the season opener against Texas Southern at Shell Energy Stadium, Prairie View A&M showed its flair for drama and its resilience. After a back-and-forth first half left the game tied, the Panthers' defense and special teams scratched out a second-half safety to gain a slim edge. Then, with just seconds remaining and the outcome hanging in the balance, receiver Rodney Ojo hauled in the game-winning touchdown with two ticks on the clock, giving PVAMU a thrilling 22-21 victory and a jolt of early-season belief.

BUILDING AN IDENTITY ON THE GROUND

A week later, the Panthers leaned fully into what would become their calling card: a punishing run game. Against

Northwestern State, backs like Bingmon and McDowell each cracked the 100-yard mark, churning out yardage behind a physical offensive line that controlled the line of scrimmage. Prairie View A&M turned that dominance up front into a 27-24 win, the kind of grind-it-out performance that told the rest of the league this team could close out tight games on the ground. Even in the early weeks, it was clear the Panthers were building something sustainable.

The non-conference slate delivered a couple of reality checks that ultimately sharpened the group. A narrow home loss to first-year program UTRGV stung, especially after PVAMU threatened a late comeback but fell just short. A trip across town to face FBS opponent Rice ended in a 38-17 defeat, but the Panthers showed stretches of toughness and composure against a deeper roster. Those setbacks underscored just how small the margin for error could be and reinforced the formula that worked best: run the ball, play suffocating defense, and win the hidden yards in special teams.

OWNING THE SWAC TRENCHES

Once SWAC play kicked into full gear, Prairie View A&M found another level. In the 100th State Fair Classic at the Cotton Bowl, the Panthers gashed Grambling for over 200 rushing yards in a 28-13 statement win that reshaped the Western



Division race. The offensive line mauled its way through four quarters, while the defense limited explosive plays and clamped down when it mattered most.

Later, on the road at Alcorn State, PVAMU found itself in an old-school defensive slugfest. The Panther defense kept the team within striking distance all afternoon, paving the way for one of the season's signature moments: a clutch 44-yard field goal in the final minute to steal a 13-12 victory and quiet a hostile crowd. It was the kind of road win championship teams have to grab.

DEFENSE TURNS CHAMPIONSHIP-CALIBER

As the season rolled into October, the defense morphed into a championship-caliber unit. Against Southern, Prairie View A&M smothered the Jaguars, allowing little through the air and forcing them into one frustrated possession after another in a 24-3 win. Homecoming turned into a showcase of total domination, as the Panthers held Lincoln to just a handful of first downs and pitched a 38-0 shutout.

The front seven lived in the backfield, the secondary erased big-play opportunities, and the message was clear: if you wanted to move the ball on PVAMU, you'd have to earn every inch. Week by week, the defense became the kind of group that not only complemented the run-heavy offense, but could carry the team when needed.

BACKFIELD DEPTH STEALS THE SHOW

In November, the offense caught fire again, and the depth at running back took center stage. In a 56-9 rout of UAPB, the trio of Bingmon, Dennis, and McDowell combined for six touchdowns in a game that doubled as a coronation — the Panthers clinched the SWAC Western Division title in emphatic fashion.

Not every late-season battle broke their way; a 31-28 home loss to Alabama State saw Bingmon and Peters both top 100 yards on the ground, but a few key plays went the Hornets' way in the fourth quarter. Instead of derailing momentum, that setback seemed to refocus Prairie View A&M for the stretch run.

The response was ruthless. On the road in Huntsville, the Panthers dismantled Alabama A&M 48-5, spreading the ball around as five different players found the end zone and the defense dominated yet again. The regular-season finale against Mississippi Valley State turned into an offensive showcase, with seven different Panthers scoring in a 59-6 blowout that looked more like a highlight reel than a conference game. By the time the final whistle blew on the regular season, PVAMU had proven it could overwhelm opponents when favored and scrap its way through tight games when needed.

FINISHING THE JOB IN JACKSON

All roads led to Jackson, MS and a SWAC Championship showdown with Jackson State. In a tense, physical contest, Prairie View A&M's defense rose to the occasion one more time, bottling up the JSU rushing attack and coming up with stops when the game hung in the balance. The offense made the most of its chances, cashing in on short fields and answering when momentum threatened to shift.

When the clock finally hit zero on a 23-21 victory, the Panthers had secured the conference crown and cemented their place in program history. From last-second heroics in the opener to division-clinching blowouts and a nail-biter in the title game, Prairie View A&M's season was defined by resilience, depth, and a brand of football built on toughness.

A stable of backs pounded away week after week, the defense embraced the spotlight, and the Panthers repeatedly delivered when everything was on the line. It was a season that reminded everyone around the SWAC what PVAMU football looks like at its best — physical, fearless, and finishing with a trophy in hand. ♦



FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

ATHLETICS

NATIONAL AFFILIATION | NCAA Division I – FCS

CONFERENCE | SWAC (West Division)
Southwestern Athletic Conference

STADIUM | Panther Stadium at Blackshear Field

CAPACITY / SURFACE | 15,000 / FieldTurf

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STREAM ONLINE | tv.swac.org

FOOTBALL HISTORY

FIRST YEAR | 1907

ALL-TIME RECORD | 600-544-34

ALL-TIME BOWL RECORD | 24-25-1

PLAYOFFS RECORD | 1-1

YEARS IN POSTSEASON | 4

LAST POSTSEASON APPEARANCE | 2009

SWAC CHAMPIONSHIPS | 12
(2025, 2009, 1964, 1963, 1960, 1958, 1954, 1953, 1952, 1951, 1933, 1931)

HBCU NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | 5
(1964, 1963, 1958, 1954, 1953)

TEAM INFORMATION

2025 OVERALL RECORD | 10-3

2025 SWAC RECORD / FINISH | 7-1 / 1st

BASIC OFFENSE | Spread

BASIC DEFENSE | 4-2-5



2025 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE | 10-3 OVERALL, 7-1 SWAC

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	RESULT
Aug. 30	at Texas Southern	Houston, TX	W, 22-21
Sep. 6	vs. UTX-Rio Grande Valley	Prairie View, TX	L, 21-27
Sep. 13	at Rice	Houston, TX	L, 17-38
Sep. 20	vs. Northwestern State	Prairie View, TX	W, 27-24
Sep. 27	vs. Grambling State	Dallas, TX	W, 28-13
Oct. 4	at Alcorn State	Alcorn, MS	W, 13-12
Oct. 18	at Southern	Baton Rouge, LA	W, 24-3
Oct. 25	vs. Lincoln University	Prairie View, TX	W, 38-0
Nov. 1	vs. Alabama State	Prairie View, TX	L, 28-31
Nov. 8	at Alabama A&M	Huntsville, AL	W, 48-5
Nov. 15	vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Prairie View, TX	W, 56-9
Nov. 22	vs. Mississippi Valley State	Prairie View, TX	W, 59-6
Dec. 6	at Jackson State	Jackson, MS	W, 23-21

2025 STATISTICAL LEADERS

INDIVIDUAL STATS

#	RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
20	Chase Bingmon	11	143	889	32	857	6.0	8	74	77.91
23	Lamagea McDowell	11	79	484	7	477	6.0	8	40	43.36
4	Cameron Peters	11	71	418	28	390	5.5	3	30	35.45

#	PASSING	GP	RATING	COMP	ATT	INT	%	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/G
4	Cameron Peters	11	162.17	145	227	6	63.88	2092	18	70	190.18

#	RECEIVING	GP	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
80	Jyzaiah Rockwell	12	64	988	15.44	7	70	82.33
82	Andre Dennis	12	22	357	16.23	3	40	29.75
9	Rodny Ojo	12	25	350	14.00	3	45	29.17
8	Travon Jones	12	23	213	9.26	3	33	17.75

#	DEFENSE	GP	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL-YDS	SACKS-YDS	INT	BU	QBH	FR	FF
4	Travor Randle	12	30	54	84.0	4.0-17	1.0-11	3	1	1	1	1
25	Darrell Starling, Jr.	12	33	35	68.0	4.5-8	1.0-3	0	4	4	0	0
7	Kennedy Parker	12	29	36	65.0	13.5-31	4.5-17	0	2	4	0	1
3	Sterling Roberts	12	20	43	63.0	6.0-13	1.0-4	0	1	7	2	1
23	Kamren Amao	12	25	37	62.0	3.5-6	2.0-5	3	1	0	1	0
12	Eric Zachery	12	23	20	43.0	2.0-9	1.0-8	2	11	0	0	1
35	Trinity Ward	11	19	21	40.0	1.5-5	0-0	0	6	0	1	0
6	Malik Gucake	12	13	22	35.0	8.5-24	1.0-1	0	0	8	1	3

#	FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	%	I20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	BLK
47	Aiden Webb	7-13	53.85	0-0	4-5	2-5	1-2	0-1	44	0



TEAM STATS

SCORE BY QTRS	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	TOTAL
PVAMU	89	118	69	105	381
Opponents	54	55	45	35	189

SCORING	PVAMU	OPP
Points Per Game	31.75	15.75
Total	381	189

FIRST DOWNS	PVAMU	OPP
Rushing	122	94
Passing	110	71
Penalty	24	23
Total	256	188

RUSHING	PVAMU	OPP
Yards Gained	2593	1952
Yards Lost	160	230
Attempts	433	427
Avg. Per Attempt	5.6	4.0
Avg. Per Game	202.8	143.5
Touchdowns	29	14
Total	2433	1722

PASSING	PVAMU	OPP
Att-Comp-Int	334-202-8	284-149-8
Avg. Per Attempt	8.22	5.33
Avg. Per Game	228.67	126.08
Touchdowns	21	7
Total	2744	1513

TOTAL OFFENSE	PVAMU	OPP
Total Plays	767	711
Avg. Per Play	6.7	4.5
Avg. Per Game	431.4	269.6
Total Yards	5177	3235
Touchdowns	51	22

PENALTIES	PVAMU	OPP
Avg. Yds/Game	69.75	56.00
Total-Yards	87-837	73-672

TIME OF POSSESSION	PVAMU	OPP
Avg. Per Game	30:37	27:51
Total	06:07:21	05:34:16





ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	CL.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
1	Ja'koby Banks	WR	Jr.	5-9	180	Missouri City, TX / Memphis
2	Cameron Franklin	DB	Sr.	6-2	195	Sweeney, TX / Van Vleck HS
3	Sterling Roberts	LB	Sr.	6-1	200	Starke, FL / Valdosta State
4	Cameron Peters	QB	Sr.	6-4	210	Missouri City, TX / Kilgore JC
4	Travor Randle	DB	Gr.	5-10	205	Greenwood, MS / Univ. of Louisiana Monroe
5	Ethan John	TE	Jr.	6-3	250	Milwaukee, WI / Iowa Central
6	Malik Gucake	DL	Sr.	6-3	250	Sacramento, CA / San Diego State
7	Kennedy Parker	LB	Gr.	6-1	210	Macon, GA / Valdosta State
8	Travon Jones	TE	Gr.	6-7	235	Miami, FL / Northwestern State
9	Rodny Ojo	WR	So.	6-2	175	Houston, TX / Klein Collins HS
10	Andre Dennis	WR	Sr.	6-1	195	Beaumont, TX / Lamar University
11	Jyzaiah Rockwell	WR	Jr.	6-2	215	Gilmer, TX / Sam Houston
12	Eric Zachery	DB	So.	6-1	170	Dallas, TX / Pinkston HS
13	Joseph Alcala	DB	Jr.	6-2	195	Tomball, TX / Trinity Valley
14	Kellen Stewart	WR	Jr.	5-9	170	Rosenburg, TX / Austin Peay
15	Shadrick Byrd	RB	Gr.	5-10	200	Coy, AL / Charlotte
16	Blake Murphy	CB	So.	5-11	165	Plantation, FL / Jones College
18	Tyler Nelson	QB	So.	6-1	210	Birmingham, AL / Garden City
19	Ke'Vondrick Taylor	WR	Fr.	5-9	175	Lufkin, TX / Lufkin HS
20	Chase Bingmon	RB	r-Fr.	5-9	175	Terrell, TX / Terrell HS
21	Tevin Carter	QB	Jr.	6-2	225	Memphis, TN / Tennessee State
22	Ashton Ojiaku	DB	So.	6-1	200	Richmond, TX / Rice University
23	Kamren Amao	DB	Sr.	6-1	200	Houston, TX / UT - Permian Basin
23	Lamagea McDowell	RB	Gr.	6-2	230	Gastonia, NC / Campbell
25	Darrell Starling, Jr.	LB	Gr.	6-0	220	Pelham, GA / Valdosta State
27	Jaylon Shelton	DB	Gr.	6-2	190	New London, TX / UTEP
28	Danarius Hollywood	DB	Sr.	6-1	185	Cincinnati, OH / Emporia State
30	Cornelius Davis	DB	Jr.	6-2	210	Jacksonville, FL / Campbell
31	Jadden Matthews	DB	Gr.	5-10	185	Moss Point, MS / McNeese State
32	Ellis Bynum	RB	Jr.	5-9	200	Happy Valley, OR / Oregon
33	Kheagian Heckaman	TE	Jr.	6-1	235	Hamshire, TX / Tennessee State
34	William White III	DB	Sr.	6-3	205	Carrollton, TX / Northwestern State
35	Trinity Ward	DB	Gr.	5-11	190	Brazoria, TX / East Central University
36	Ben Stewart	LS	Gr.	6-0	215	League City, TX / Louisiana Tech
37	Skylon Jean-Louis	DB	Jr.	5-11	200	New Orleans, LA / Tyler Jr. College
39	Matthew Moore	LB	So.	6-1	230	Killeen, TX / North Texas
40	Sultan El-Amin, Jr.	DB	Fr.	5-11	185	Dallas, TX / North Texas
41	Drew Skartvedt	LS	Jr.	6-0	190	Azle, TX / Ouachita Baptist University
42	Mandel Eugene	LB	Gr.	6-1	215	LaPlace, LA / Tulane
43	Nick Haynes	LB	Jr.	6-1	205	Stockton, CA / Towson University
45	Jayven Jackson	LB	Jr.	6-0	215	Houston, TX / Cypress Springs HS

NO.	NAME	POS.	CL.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
46	Elijah Wilson	DB	Jr.	6-1	200	Las Vegas, NV / UNLV
47	Aiden Webb	K/P	r-Fr.	6-3	175	Dallas, TX / UTEP
48	Adam Atwell	P	Gr.	6-1	195	League City, TX / Southern Nazarene
49	Triston Airy	RB	Fr.	5-8	165	Fresco, TX / Frisco Reedy HS
50	Jeremiah Harris II	LB	Sr.	6-1	220	Houston, TX / Shadow Creek HS
51	Nigel Hill	LB	So.	6-0	215	Houston, TX / Dobie HS
52	Amaze Nwaemo	LB	Sr.	6-1	210	Camden, NJ / Trinity Valley
53	Trelin Miles	OL	Sr.	6-0	280	Woodville, MS / Southwest Mississippi
54	Christopher Harvey	DL	Jr.	6-5	275	Upper Marlboro, MD / Fullerton
55	Premiere Whitley	DL	Jr.	6-3	255	San Diego, CA / San Diego Mesa
56	David Williams	OL	Jr.	6-2	280	DeSoto, TX / Tyler JC
58	Cameron Pascal	OL	Jr.	6-2	305	Union, MS / Memphis
65	Austine Anyia	OL	Fr.	6-6	290	Pearland, TX / Shadow Creek HS
66	Calvin McMillian	OL	Gr.	6-5	330	Houston, MS / Mississippi State
67	Rayquan Bell	OL	r-Fr.	6-4	305	Houston, TX / University of Houston
68	Aquarion Byers	OL	Fr.	6-7	305	Denton, TX / Denton Guyer HS
69	Jadrien Collard	OL	Sr.	6-2	310	Houston, TX / Westfield HS
71	CK Carter	OL	Gr.	6-5	280	Atlanta, GA / UTEP
72	Caden Bowers	OL	Jr.	6-4	340	Dallas, TX / North Mesquite HS
73	Pedro Chagas Da Silva	OL	Jr.	6-1	325	Niteroi, Brazil / Thompkins
74	Ty Brown	OL	So.	6-3	315	Thomasville, GA / Valdosta State
75	Jeremiah Mawali	OL	Gr.	6-5	340	West Palm Beach, FL / James Madison
76	Xyler Myles	OL	r-Fr.	6-5	315	Dallas, TX / South Oak Cliff HS
78	Jalen Cooper	OL	So.	6-4	275	Houston, TX / C.E. King HS
79	Reginald Wilson	OL	Fr.	6-7	340	Hutchins, TX / Naaman Forest HS
80	Xylan Williams	WR	Fr.	5-11	160	Bay City, TX / Bay City HS
81	Dazure Paggett	WR	r-Jr.	5-11	160	San Diego, CA / San Diego Mesa
83	Cameron Bonner	WR	Gr.	6-0	185	Houston, TX / Baylor
86	Diego Alfaro	K	Fr.	5-7	165	Cypress, TX / Cypress Ranch HS
87	Chaney Fitzgerald	WR	Jr.	5-10	200	Kernersville, NC / Campbell
88	Will Taylor II	WR	Jr.	6-1	190	Houston, TX / Trinity University
90	De'Alo McGee	DL	Gr.	6-1	320	St. Louis, MO / Stephen F. Austin
91	Jabarrek Hopkins	DL	Sr.	6-4	290	Greenville, FL / Madison County HS
92	Molik Mason	DL	Jr.	6-6	310	Auburn, AL / Campbell University
93	Jamal Marshall	DT	Sr.	6-0	310	Fort Worth, TX / Kennedale HS
94	Tiago Sumbo	DT	Sr.	6-2	290	Katy, TX / Kilgore JC
95	James Kate III	DL	Sr.	6-2	280	McComb, MS / Southwest Mississippi
96	Patrick Kendall III	DL	r-Fr.	6-4	305	Fishers, IN / Southern Illinois University
97	Carlos Villagomez, Jr.	K/P	Gr.	5-10	170	Richmond, TX / George Ranch HS
98	Jahiem O'Hara	DL	So.	6-6	260	Cypress, TX / Cypress Woods HS
99	Alajujuan Sparks, Jr.	DL	Gr.	6-3	375	Birmingham, AL / Valdosta State

ROSTER



1 | WR
JA'KOBY
BANKS



2 | DB
CAMERON
FRANKLIN



3 | LB
STERLING
ROBERTS



4 | QB
CAMERON
PETERS



4 | DB
TRAVOR
RANDLE



5 | TE
ETHAN
JOHN



6 | DL
MALIK
GUCAKE



7 | LB
KENNEDY
PARKER



8 | TE
TRAVON
JONES



9 | WR
RODNY
OJO



10 | WR
ANDRE
DENNIS



11 | WR
JYZAIAH
ROCKWELL



12 | DB
ERIC
ZACHERY



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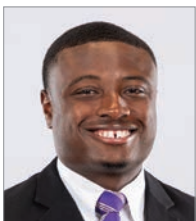
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KAMREN
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LAMAGEA
MCDOWELL



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DARRELL
STARLING, JR.



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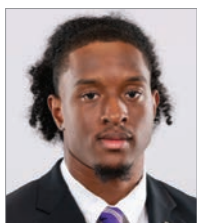
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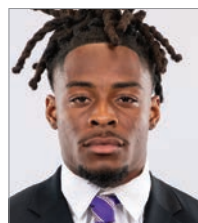
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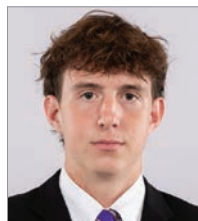
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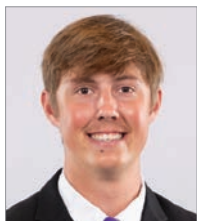
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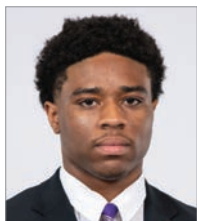
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JEREMIAH
HARRIS II



51 | LB
NIGEL
HILL



52 | LB
AMAEZE
NWAEMO



53 | DL
TRELIN
MILES



54 | DL
CHRISTOPHER
HARVEY



55 | DL
PREMIERE
WHITLEY



56 | OL
DAVID
WILLIAMS



58 | OL
CAMERON
PASCAL



65 | OL
AUSTINE
ANYIA



66 | OL
CALVIN
McMILLIAN



67 | OL
RAYQUAN
BELL



68 | OL
AQUARION
BYERS



69 | OL
JADRIEN
COLLARD



71 | OL
CK
CARTER



72 | OL
CADON
BOWERS

ROSTER



73 | OL
PEDRO
CHAGAS DA SILVA



74 | OL
TY
BROWN



75 | OL
JEREMIAH
MAWALI



76 | OL
XYLER
MYLES



78 | OL
JALEN
COOPER



79 | OL
REGINALD
WILSON



80 | WR
XYLAN
WILLIAMS



81 | WR
DAZURE
PAGGETT



83 | WR
CAMERON
BONNER



86 | K
DIEGO
ALFARO



87 | WR
CHANAY
FITZGERALD



88 | WR
WILL
TAYLOR II



90 | DL
DE'ALO
McGEE



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HOPKINS



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MARCHING 101



DIRECTOR OF BANDS
Dr. J. William Nicholas



The South Carolina State "Marching 101" band is known from coast to coast. The members have entertained tens of thousands of spectators throughout the Southeast and millions by way of nationally televised events — including professional football games — with a unique style of marching that takes hours of practice to master.

Band members play without music scores, although only a percentage of the members are music majors. They are perpetually in motion with dance routines and geometric designs, while remaining in step, and of course, playing music all the time.

The band's name, the "Marching 101" is a misnomer as the 2008 edition of the renowned group.

For many youngsters throughout the state, the band is South Carolina State University. They may not be aware of all of the academic opportunities of the institution, but they respond to the exciting music of the "Marching 101."

The band, which is currently under the direction of Dr. Patrick Moore, was organized in 1918 as a "regimental band," performing military drills and assisting with music in the college Sunday School and other special occasions.

In 1924, the late Reginald Thomason influenced the music presentation with concerts. From 1924 on, a succession of directors, including Thomason, influenced the growth of the band as it became a part of the Department of Music at the university. In the 1940s, the band shared uniforms with the ROTC brigade, and played in military ceremonies as well

as collegiate functions. In 1955, the college band numbered around 45 members — about one-seventh of today's number — and sported its own garnet and blue uniforms.

Moore, who took over as director in 2018, has continued the tradition of fine entertainment, especially at football games.

While other college football fans head for the concession stands at halftime, followers of the Bulldogs remain seated to enjoy the next exciting routines of the "Marching 101," which are always appropriate for the game.

The band learns a completely new show for every home game. Fans enthusiastically reward their excellent and breathtaking performances with applause and cheers.

Although most of the members hang up their uniforms when the football season is over, many of them will contribute their musical skills in various ways the remainder of the year, including participation in the pep band, concert choir and jazz band. ♦

MARCHING STORM



DIRECTOR OF BANDS
Dr. Timmey T. Zachery

The Marching Storm Band is the largest student organization at Prairie View A&M University, with roots stretching back more than 80 years to World War II. During the war, when many male students were away in the armed forces, an all-female ensemble known as the "Co-Eds" kept the band tradition alive. After the war, the program flourished under a series of directors from Florida A&M, Tennessee State, Virginia State and Prairie View A&M.

Current percussion director Professor Larry Jones is one of the last links to the pre-Marching Storm era. In the 1970s, he joined former director of bands Dr. Victor Hebert and assistant Dr. Lucius Wyatt in building the band with local musicians. Under Dr. William McQueen, who arrived in 1977, the band was dubbed "Sounds of Success." He was joined by Jones, longtime Black Foxes director

Dr. Margaret Sherrod, and the late Professor George Edwards.

Edwards came to Prairie View in 1978, later taking over as director of bands. Under his leadership the group evolved from the "Funky 50" into "The Marching Storm" in 1989, as students coined a new name to match the program's soaring ambition. The band's powerful sound and cutting-edge drumline earned a wide reputation and helped popularize modern drumline techniques.

During Edwards' tenure, the Marching Storm performed in President George W. Bush's 2001 Inaugural Parade, the 2004 Dallas Cowboys Thanksgiving Day game, multiple Honda Battle of the Bands showcases, the ESSENCE Music Festival, and appeared in the

BBC documentary "Marching All Together." A highlight came with the band's 2009 debut in the Tournament of Roses Parade, the first appearance by an HBCU in the Rose Parade's pilot inclusion program.

Following Edwards' passing in 2009, McQueen returned as director and guided the Storm through appearances with the Black Eyed Peas and Usher at Super Bowl XLV, the Houston Texans' Thanksgiving halftime, and the MTV Woodie Awards. Notable alumni include Terry Ellis of En Vogue, members of IDEAL, and Ricky LaFontaine of the Richard Smallwood Singers. In 2012, a new era began under Dr. Timmey Zachery, who continues to blend the band's traditions with fresh innovations. ♦



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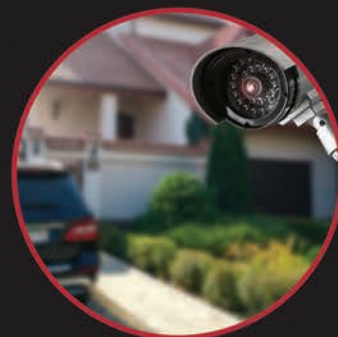
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CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY



12.14
2024

BOWL CHAMPION: JACKSON STATE
CONFERENCE WINNER: SWAC (3-6)



The Jackson State Tigers secured their first Celebration Bowl in school history in a decisive 28-7 victory over MEAC Champion South Carolina State in front of 36,823 fans at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. With the win, JSU tied a Celebration Bowl record for largest margin of victory (21) and avenged their 2021 Celebration Bowl loss to the Bulldogs (31-10). Their defense held the Bulldog offense to the fewest points in bowl history, eclipsing the nine points Grambling State held North Carolina Central to in 2016.

"This was an incredible run for this football team and these coaches," Taylor said. "The fans, I really can't say enough. They really showed up for this team in the city of Atlanta for this game and these guys came out here today and dominated." His team scored on two 10-plus play drives (19 and 10), that both lasted under 30 seconds and never looked back.

JSU outgained the Bulldogs 383-211 in total yards, including a whopping 152-30 on the ground. Celebration Bowl Offensive MVP, JaCobian Morgan, accounted for 257 total yards (233 passing and two passing TD's). Pacing the Tigers defense was Jeremiah Williams, who earned Defensive MVP, tallied three total tackles (one for loss). The lone bright spot for South Carolina State in the game was All-MEAC linebacker Aaron Smith, who set a new Celebration Bowl record with 17 total tackles (12 solo) in the game.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
Jackson	0	14	0	14	28
SC State	0	0	0	7	7



CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

12.16
2023

BOWL CHAMPION: **FLORIDA A&M**
CONFERENCE WINNER: **SWAC (2-6)**



Florida A&M quarterback Jeremy Moussa tossed three fourth-period touchdowns, two to wideout Kelvin Dean Jr., to lift the Rattlers to a 30-26 win over Howard in the Cricket Celebration Bowl at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. Moussa completed 19-of-32 passes for 289 yards and 3 TD. He found Dean with back-to-back scoring passes of 21 and 53 yards early, in a wild fourth quarter that featured three lead changes and a combined 30 points by the two teams, to give the Rattlers a 24-16 advantage with 10:58 to play. The underdog Bison got off to a fast start, taking an early 14-0 lead in the first five minutes of the game. Set up by a 66-yard kickoff return by Ian Wheeler, Jarett Hunter capped off a four-play, 27-yard drive with an eight-yard touchdown run. The lead stretched to 14, when Kasey Hawthorne scored from three yards out following a Moussa fumble. After a touchdown run by FAMU's Terrell Jennings, Howard's Darrian Brokenburr sacked Moussa in the endzone for a safety and a 16-7 lead. Howard led 16-10 at the half but found themselves down by eight early in the fourth. The Bison reclaimed the lead 26-24 on a 34-yard field goal by Aaron Bickerton and a 27-yard interception return by Carson Hinton. But Moussa connected on a 38-yard strike to Jah'Marae Sheread to go up 30-26. An interception by the Rattlers' Isaiah Major ended Howard's comeback attempt. Howard was led by QB Quinton Williams (14-17, 106 yards, 3 INTs). Dean, who finished with three catches for 87 yards and two touchdowns, was named the Offensive MVP of the game, while his teammate Isaiah Major garnered Defensive MVP honors.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
Howard	14	2	0	10	26
FL A&M	0	10	0	20	30

12.17
2022

BOWL CHAMPION: **NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL**
CONFERENCE WINNER: **MEAC (6-1)**



North Carolina Central quarterback Davius Richard scored on a one-yard sneak in overtime to put the Eagles ahead 41-34, as the Eagles held on for their first championship win in the Cricket Celebration Bowl. The underdog Eagles rolled up 482 yards of total offense in the contest, with 276 coming on the ground. In front of a record crowd of 49,670, the Eagles took a 10-0 lead in the first seven minutes of the contest, before Jackson fought back to go ahead 14-10 early in the second period and led 21-17 at the half, in the contest that featured six lead changes. NCCU took a 34-27 lead on Davius Richard's one-yard run and a successful two-point conversion pass with 4:31 left in the fourth period, but Shedeur Sanders directed JSU on a 15-play, 81-yard scoring drive in the final four minutes of regulation, connecting with Travis Hunter on a 19-yard scoring pass with no time left on the clock to tie the game and force overtime. The Eagles scored a TD on their first possession in overtime, but Jackson State fell one-yard short in their attempt to tie the game. Richard completed 15 of 20 passes for 175 yards and a TD, while also rushing for 97 yards and two scores in the victory. The Eagle defense was paced by linebacker Khalil Baker with 10 tackles. Richard was named the game's Offensive MVP and Baker the Defensive MVP in the contest. JSU quarterback Sanders had an impressive outing for the Tigers, completing 30 of 40 attempts for 349 yards and four touchdowns.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	OT	T
Jackson	7	14	0	13	0	34
NC Central	10	7	9	8	7	41





CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

12.18
2021

BOWL CHAMPION: SOUTH CAROLINA STATE
CONFERENCE WINNER: MEAC (5-1)



In a stunning turn of events in the 2021 Cricket Celebration Bowl, the favorite Jackson State Tigers went down to the South Carolina State Bulldogs, 31-10 at Mercedes-Benz Stadium before a bowl record 48,653 fans. Traditionally known for their great defensive units, South Carolina State held Jackson to Celebration Bowl lows in team rushing yards (19) and total yards (194), and their defensive effort resulted in the largest victory margin (21 points). The Tigers bolted out to a 7-0 first quarter lead on Shedeur Sanders' seven-yard strike to Keith Corbin III, with 7:24 left. S.C. State would then catch fire, outscoring the Tigers, 31-3 over the final three periods, seizing control of the game for good in the second quarter with a 10-point flurry in the final minutes, on a Corey Fields six-yard strike to Shaquan Davis with 2:08 left, followed by a 26-yard field goal by Gayvn Zimmerman with eight seconds left in the half. SCSU's Fields tossed four scoring passes, finishing with 164 yards (12 of 31, one INT), while JSU's Sanders passed for 175 yards (16 of 36, two INTs). SCSU's Shaquan Davis was the Bowl's Offensive MVP with five catches for 95 yards and three scores — a Celebration Bowl record. Decobie Durant earned Defensive MVP honors. Records fell Saturday as Celebration Bowl history was rewritten.... SCSU's punter Dyson Roberts set four Bowl records: Longest Punt (74 yards), Most Punts (8), Most Punt Yardage (392) and Best Average (49.0).

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
SC State	0	10	14	7	31
Jackson	7	0	3	0	10

12.21
2019

BOWL CHAMPION: NORTH CAROLINA A&T
CONFERENCE WINNER: MEAC (4-1)



North Carolina A&T and Alcorn State combined to set several records at the 2019 Celebration Bowl at Mercedes-Benz Stadium, which the Aggies won 64-44. N.C. A&T captured its second straight win and its fourth overall championship title. N.C. A&T and Alcorn were meeting for the second consecutive year and the third time in the five-year history of the event. Celebration Bowl records established, among others, were most points combined (108), most points in a quarter (49), most touchdown passes in a quarter (4 by NC A&T's Kyli Carter), most TDs in a game (6 by Carter), and most combined total yards (1,034). A&T quarterback Kyli Carter, the Celebration Bowl offensive MVP, had six touchdown passes — three in the third period — to tie an Aggie program record in leading his squad to the victory. He finished 18-30 for 364 yards, hitting four different receivers for touchdowns. Jacob Roberts, with six tackles including one for a loss, and an interception, was the game's defensive MVP. Alcorn scored first in this contest and led 10-7 with 10:16 left in the half. After the Aggies took at 24-10 lead into halftime, both teams exploded for a combined 49 points (seven TDs) in the third quarter. The Aggies, who scored on eight straight possessions, including seven touchdowns, needed only 13 seconds in the second half to add to their lead, when running back Jah-Maine Martin raced 75 yards on the first play of the third quarter for a score and a 31-17 lead. From there, each team would score three touchdowns apiece to end the quarter at 52-31.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
Alcorn	3	7	21	13	44
NC A&T	0	24	28	12	64

NO GAME PLAYED IN 2020 DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.



CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

12.15
2018

BOWL CHAMPION: NORTH CAROLINA A&T
CONFERENCE WINNER: MEAC (3-1)



In a rematch of the 2015 Inaugural Celebration Bowl, North Carolina A&T captured their second straight title and third overall, with a 24-22 win over Alcorn State, this time under first-year head coach Sam Washington. The Aggies win gave the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) a 3-1 advantage in the bowl. The Aggies jumped out to a 17-6 lead through the first half of play, but Alcorn state scored 10 unanswered points in the third quarter to pull within one at 17-16. But just as the Braves appeared to have momentum, the Aggies' Malik Wilson took the kickoff at his 12, got to the outside and raced untouched for an 88-yard touchdown that put his team ahead 24-16. Alcorn State QB Noah Johnson led his team on a nine-play, 92-yard touchdown drive to move to 24-22 and put the Braves in a position to tie with a successful two-point conversion. On a run-pass option, Johnson rolled out and found Chris Blair for what appeared to be the tying 2-point conversion; however, it was called no good as he juggled the ball while going out of bounds. The Braves, despite the loss, rolled up 451 yards total offense, including 328 yards on the ground. Johnson completed 12-21 passes for 123 yards and ran for 120 yards and two touchdowns on 14 rushing attempts. De'Shawn Waller led the Alcorn running attack with 167 yards. A&T's Raynard was named Offensive MVP, while Aggies free safety Richie Kittles picked up Defensive MVP honors.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
NC A&T	7	10	7	0	24
Alcorn	3	3	10	6	22

12.16
2017

BOWL CHAMPION: NORTH CAROLINA A&T
CONFERENCE WINNER: MEAC (2-1)



North Carolina A&T State capped off an historic season with a 21-14 win over Grambling State in the 2017 Celebration Bowl. It was one of the most highly anticipated matchups of the year. The Aggies were undefeated (11-0) heading into the Celebration Bowl, with staple wins on the road over non-conference opponents Gardner-Webb and UNC-Charlotte. Grambling, riding an 11-game win streak after dropping their first game of the season, was returning to the Celebration Bowl for a second straight season, defeating North Carolina Central in 2016. After a scoreless first quarter, both teams were able to put seven points on the board in the final five minutes of the half. But it was the Aggies who would strike first and last in the second half. Marquell Cartwright, who earned Offensive MVP honors, raced 29-yards for his second touchdown of the game, to give North Carolina A&T a 14-7 lead in the third. They would seal the victory in the final 1:42 with a seven-play, 56-yard drive, capped off by a one-yard touchdown run by quarterback Lamar Raynard. Franklin McClain III was the defensive MVP. With the win, the Aggies completed a perfect 12-0 season, while the loss dropped Grambling's final 2017 record to 11-2. The Aggies became the first MEAC team to compile a 12-0 campaign, including the postseason.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
Grambling	0	7	0	7	14
NC A&T	0	7	7	7	21





CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

12.17
2016

BOWL CHAMPION: **GRAMBLING STATE**
CONFERENCE WINNER: **SWAC (1-1)**



Defense was the name of the game in this 2016 Celebration Bowl showdown between two teams riding nine-game win streaks. Grambling State's Joseph McWilliams blocked a potential game-tying extra point by North Carolina Central's Brandon McLaren with 2:14 remaining and the Tigers held on for a 10-9 win over North Carolina Central in a wild finish at the Georgia Dome. The Eagles, hindered by poor field position most of the second half, drove 59 yards in five plays, with quarterback Malcolm Bell linking up with a wide-open Quentin Atkinson from 39 yards out to pull NCCU within 10-9 with 2:14 on the fourth-period clock. But a costly penalty by Atkinson for removing his helmet in celebration drew a 15-yard penalty assessed on the extra point try. Grambling State's Martez Carter and Jameer Jackson were named the Offensive and Defensive Most Valuable Players. Carter led the GSU ground game with 12 carries for 109 yards, including a 32-yard scoring run that put Grambling ahead 7-3 midway in the third. Jackson recorded five unassisted tackles and a key interception.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
NC Central	3	0	0	6	9
Grambling	0	0	10	0	10

12.19
2015

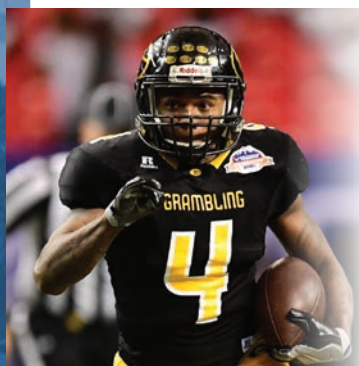
BOWL CHAMPION: **NORTH CAROLINA A&T**
CONFERENCE WINNER: **MEAC (1-0)**



There couldn't have been a better beginning to the inaugural Air Force Reserve Celebration Bowl in the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, which kicked-off the 2015 college football post season. Alcorn State (SWAC Champion) erased a 24-6 deficit in the second half but fell short to North Carolina A&T (MEAC Champion) 41-34 in a thrilling victory by the Aggies. The game started with a bang and never looked back, as both teams scored early in the first quarter on special teams plays — a 74-yard punt return for A&T and an 83-yard kick-off return for Alcorn State. When North Carolina A&T finally put their offense on the field it was clear why Tarik Cohen was the topic of discussion heading into this game. Cohen had five carries for 166 yards in the first quarter, scoring on back-to-back touchdown runs of 74-yards and 83-yards. Cohen earned offensive Most Valuable Player honors as he rushed for a game-high 295 yards and three touchdowns, including the game winner. Denzel Jones was selected as defensive Most Valuable Player. He led the Aggies with seven tackles and one interception.

SCORE BY QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	T
Alcorn	6	7	7	14	34
NC A&T	21	3	3	14	41





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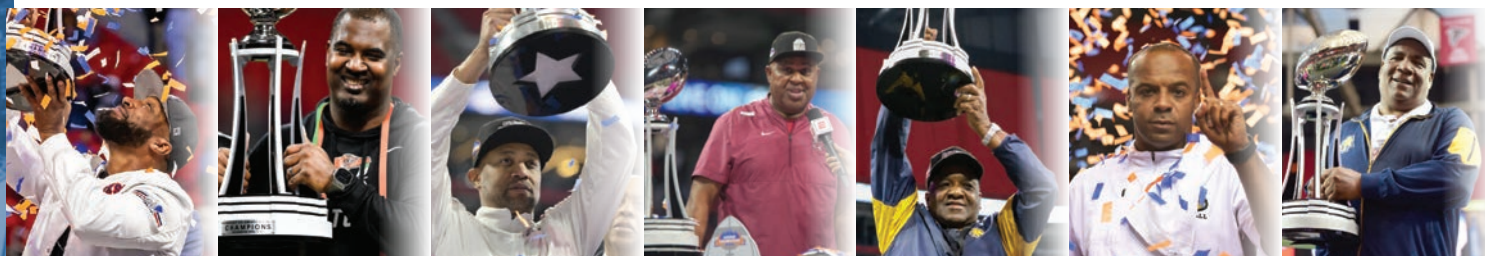
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CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

YEAR-BY-YEAR CHAMPIONS

YEAR	CHAMPION (RECORD)	COACH	SCORE	RUNNER-UP	COACH	SITE	ATTENDANCE
2024	Jackson State (12-2)	T.C. Taylor	28-7	S.C. State	Chennis Berry	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	36,823
2023	Florida A&M (12-2)	Willie Simmons	30-26	Howard	Larry Scott	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	41,108
2022	North Carolina Central (10-2)	Trei Oliver	41-34 OT	Jackson State	Deion Sanders	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	49,670
2021	South Carolina State (7-5)	Buddy Pough	31-10	Jackson State	Deion Sanders	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	48,653
2019*	North Carolina A&T (9-3)	Sam Washington	64-44	Alcorn State	Fred McNair	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	32,968
2018	North Carolina A&T (10-2)	Sam Washington	24-22	Alcorn State	Fred McNair	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	31,672
2017	North Carolina A&T (12-0)	Rod Broadway	21-14	Grambling St.	Broderick Fobbs	Atlanta, Ga. (Mercedes-Benz Stadium)	25,873
2016	Grambling State (11-1)	Broderick Fobbs	10-9	N.C. Central	Jerry Mack	Atlanta, Ga. (Georgia Dome)	31,096
2015	North Carolina A&T (10-2)	Rod Broadway	41-34	Alcorn State	Jay Hopson	Atlanta, Ga. (Georgia Dome)	35,528

*No game played in 2020 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.



BOWL HONORS: MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

Offensive MVP Year-By-Year

YEAR	PLAYER	POS	SCHOOL
2024	JaCobian Morgan	QB	Jackson State
2023	Kelvin Dean, Jr.	WR	Florida A&M
2022	Davius Richard	QB	North Carolina Central
2021	Shaquan Davis	WR	South Carolina State
2019*	Kylil Carter	QB	North Carolina A&T
2018	Lamar Raynard	QB	North Carolina A&T
2017	Marquell Cartwright	RB	North Carolina A&T
2016	Martez Carter	RB	Grambling State
2015	Tarik Cohen	RB	North Carolina A&T

*No game played in 2020 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Defensive MVP Year-By-Year

PLAYER	POS	SCHOOL
Jeremiah Williams	DL	Jackson State
Isaiah Major	LB	Florida A&M
Khalil Baker	DB	North Carolina Central
Decobie Durant	DB	South Carolina State
Jacob Roberts	DB	North Carolina A&T
Richie Kittles	FS	North Carolina A&T
Franklin McCain III	DB	North Carolina A&T
Jameer Jackson	DB	Grambling State
Denzel Jones	LB	North Carolina A&T



CELEBRATION BOWL HISTORY

GAME RECORDS

LONGEST GAME

4h, Jackson St. v. SC State (2024)

ATTENDANCE

49,670, NC Central v. Jackson St. (2022)

TOTAL COMBINED POINTS SCORED (GAME)

108, Alcorn St. v. NC A&T (2019)

FEWEST COMBINED POINTS SCORED (GAME)

19, NC Central v. Grambling (2016)

TOTAL COMBINED POINTS SCORED (QUARTER)

49, (3rd Qtr) Alcorn St. v. NC A&T (2019)

FEWEST COMBINED POINTS SCORED (QUARTER)

0, Howard v. Florida A&M (2023)
Grambling v. NC A&T (2017)
NC Central v. Grambling (2016)

MOST POINTS SCORED BY A TEAM (QUARTER)

28, (3rd Qtr) NC A&T v. Alcorn St. (2019)

LARGEST POINT DEFICIT (GAME)

21 points (4th Qtr), SC State v. Jackson St. (2024)
(4th Qtr), Jackson St. v. SC State (2021)

MOST PUNT RETURNS FOR A TOUCHDOWN

2, Alcorn St. v. NC A&T (2015)



TEAM RECORDS

POINTS SCORED

64, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

FEWEST POINTS SCORED

7, SC State (v. Jackson St., 2024)

MOST POINTS IN A QUARTER

28, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

LARGEST WIN MARGIN

21, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2024)
SC State (v. Jackson St., 2021)

MOST RUSHING YARDS

366, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2015)

FEWEST RUSHING YARDS

19, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2021)

MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS

51, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2024)

MOST YARDS RUSHING PER RUSH

8.7 ypc, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST RUSHING TDS

4, NC Central (v. Jackson St., 2022)
NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST PASSING YARDS

364, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

FEWEST PASSING YARDS

123, Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2018)

MOST PASSING ATTEMPTS

44, NC A&T (v. Grambling, 2017)

MOST PASSING COMPLETIONS

30, Jackson St. (v. NC Central, 2022)

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

6, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

MOST PASSING YARDS PER COMPLETION

20.2, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

FEWEST PASSING YARDS PER COMPLETION

9.8, Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2015)

MOST TOTAL YARDS (GAME)

574, NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)

FEWEST TOTAL YARDS (GAME)

178, SC State (v. Jackson St., 2024)

LONGEST TIME OF POSSESSION

38:09, NC Central (v. Jackson St., 2022)

LONGEST TIME OF POSSESSION (QUARTER)

11:05 (3rd Qtr), NC Central (v. Jackson St., 2022)

MOST FUMBLES

2, Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2015)

MOST INTERCEPTIONS

3, Florida A&M (v. Howard, 2023)

MOST SACKS

3.0, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2024)
SC State (v. Jackson St., 2021)
NC A&T (v. Alcorn St., 2019)
NC A&T (v. Grambling, 2017)
NC Central (v. Grambling, 2016)

MOST SOLO TACKLES

48, Grambling (v. NC A&T, 2017)

MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS

13.0, Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2018)

MOST TOTAL TACKLES

82, SC State (v. Jackson St., 2024)

MOST PENALTIES

10, SC State (v. Jackson St., 2021)

FEWEST PENALTIES

2, NC A&T (v. Grambling, 2017)

MOST PENALTY YARDS

122, NC Central (v. Grambling, 2016)

FEWEST PENALTY YARDS

9, Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2015)

LONGEST POSSESSION DRIVE

9:39, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2024)

LONGEST DRIVE (YARDS)

96, Jackson St. (v. NC Central, 2022)

LONGEST DRIVE (PLAYS)

19, Jackson St. (v. SC State, 2024)

MOST FIRST DOWNS

24, NC Central (v. Jackson St., 2022)
Jackson St. (v. NC Central, 2022)
Alcorn St. (v. NC A&T, 2019)

FEWEST FIRST DOWNS

11, Howard (v. Florida A&M, 2023)





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MOST RUSHING YARDS

295, Tarik Cohen, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

3, Tarik Cohen, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS

25, Irv Mulligan, Jackson St.
(v. SC State, 2024)

MOST RUSHING YARDS PER ATTEMPT

13.4, Tarik Cohen, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST PASSING YARDS

364, Kyli Carter, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2019)

FEWEST PASSING YARDS

106, Quinton Williams, Howard
(v. Florida A&M, 2023)

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

6, Kyli Carter, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2019)

MOST PASSING ATTEMPTS

42, Felix Harper, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2019)

FEWEST PASSING ATTEMPTS

16, Kwashaun Quick, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST COMPLETIONS

30, Shedeur Sanders, Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)

FEWEST COMPLETIONS

11, Noah Johnson, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2018)

11, Kwashaun Quick, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST YARDS PER COMPLETION

13.5, Kwashaun Quick, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

MOST PASSING INTERCEPTIONS

3, Quinton Williams, Howard
(v. Florida A&M, 2023)

MOST RECEIVING YARDS

137, Kevin Coleman Jr., Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)

MOST RECEPTIONS

8, Kevin Coleman Jr., Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)

8, Raidarious Anderson, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2019)

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

3, Shaquan Davis, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2021)

MOST YARDS PER RECEPTION

41.0, Isaiah Spencer, Jackson St.
(v. SC State, 2024)

MOST TACKLES

17, Aaron Smith, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2024)

MOST SACKS

2.0, James Houston, Jackson St.
(v. SC State, 2021)



MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS

4.0, Richie Kittles, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2018)

MOST INTERCEPTIONS

1, 13 players tied

BLOCKS MADE (FIELD GOALS)

1, Warren Gatewood, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2015)

BLOCKS MADE (EXTRA POINT)

1, Joseph McWilliams, Grambling
(v. NC Central, 2016)

MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS

84, Anthony Williams, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2015)

MOST PUNT RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

1, Anthony Williams, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2015)
1, Khris Gardin, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

LONGEST PUNT RETURN (YARDS)

84, Anthony Williams, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2015)

MOST KICK RETURNS

6, Kevin Coleman Jr., Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)

MOST KICK RETURN YARDS

125, Kevin Coleman Jr., Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)

LONGEST KICK RETURN (YARDS)

79, Malik Wilson, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2018)

MOST KICK RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

1, Malik Wilson, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2018)

MOST PUNTS

8, Dyson Roberts, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2021)

MOST PUNTING YARDS

392, Dyson Roberts, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2021)

LONGEST PUNT

74 yds, Dyson Roberts, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2021)

BEST PUNTING AVG

49.0, Dyson Roberts, SC State
(v. Jackson St., 2021)

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE

3, Corey McCullough, Alcorn St.
(v. NC A&T, 2018)

LONGEST FIELD GOAL MADE

45, Cody Jones, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

FIELD GOALS BLOCKED

1, Brandon McLaren, NC Central
(v. Grambling, 2016)
1, Cody Jones, NC A&T
(v. Alcorn St., 2015)

KICKOFF AVG

63.8, Gerardo Baeza, Jackson St.
(v. NC Central, 2022)



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